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TOLD OF ROOSEVELT.

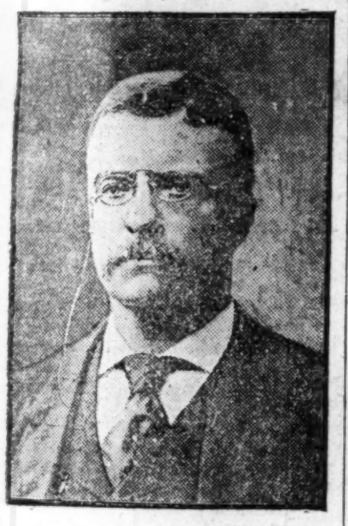
Stories Illustrating the Character of Our New President.

He Is an Approachable Man and Displays Genuine Cordiality in His Handshake—By Nature He Is a Fighter.

Anecdotes in which President Roosevelt figures as the star are almost as numerous as those told of Lincoln. Possessing a striking personality, and having a habit of doing and saying things out of the ordinary, his words and deeds are always interesting.

President Roosevelt is not only an approachable man, but he displays a cordiality toward people he meets that makes a lasting impression. When one is introduced to Mr. Roosevelt he cannot help feeling that he is an object of no little interest to him. The new acquaintance goes away feeling that the greeting was not one of a mere formality. If he has had a story to tell he knows that it has been heard and absorbed. A new page at the state capitol took his first note to Roosevelt when governor with fear and trembling. Thoughts of the greatness of the man he was to see overwhelmed him. When he reappeared from the governor's office after delivering the note he was all smiles, and to another page he remarked enthusiastically: "Say, ain't Teddy a peach?" This is not a familiarity. That same boy would run seven miles for Mr. Roosevelt and be willing to punch the boy who said anything disrespectful. He entered the governor's presence expecting to be overawed, he cam out with the impression that he had known him for a long time and was glad of it.

Mr. Roosevelt's interest in animals is almost as great as in man. He was walking from the capitol at Albany one day, accompanied by a friend, when he noticed two sturdy but tired horses striving to haul a heavy load up the ice-covered street. One slipped. Immediately Mr. Roosevelt stopped, and, with an absorbed expression on his face that he shows when deeply interested, watched the horse regain his feet. The horses stumbled again on



PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.
(From the Latest Photograph of Our New Chief Executive.)

the ice. "Stop a moment," Roosevelt said to the driver. "Drive sideways." The driver did not recognize the governor. He was about to say something unpleasant when the governor caught his eye. Then the man zigzagged his horses up the hill past the ice with never a word. The grim look on Roosevelt's face disappeared just as quickly as it came, and the next minute he had tipped his hat to a little child who saluted in true military fashion.

Roosevelt is by nature a fighter. He has all the stubborn tenacity that was inherited with his Dutch blood, coupled with almost a Celtic willingness to combat anyone or anything, anyhow or anywhere he deems proper and necessary. When he fought against two parties to push through the bills giving Controller Coler, of New York, the right to pass upon prices paid by departments for goods purchased and supervision in the confession of judgments the leaders of his party came to him and said:

"Governor, you are building up a powerful rival to you for next fall."

"Maybe so," he replied, "but he is right and he's going to have those bills if I can get them through for him." And he got them through.

While a police commissioner in New York city, Mr. Roosevelt did not depend on the reports of his subordinates to learn whether his orders were being obeyed and that the reforms he recommended were being carried out, but pursued the simple, effective method of personally visiting the patrolmen of the force on their beats at night. On one of these trips he found two policemen drinking in a saloon. "Is this the way you do your duty?" he asked, quietly. Neither of the officers had seen the commissioner before and they took him for some prying stranger. "What's that to you?" replied one of the men. "Get out of here or we will throw you out." Mr. Roosevelt did not get out. Nor did he lose his temper. He replied in the same quiet voice: "No, I will not go out. I am Police Commissioner Roosevelt, and I am looking for men like you who do not obey my orders. Come to my office to-morrow." The men apologized, but it was of no use. They called at the commissioner's office the next day and were reduced.

MEN YOU HAVE HEARD ABOUT.

Gov. Yates may use his appointing power to name the three new circuit judges.

Alfonso XIII. is not a black Spaniard. He is fair and has blue eyes and curly hair.

Prof. Hinckley G. Mitchell, of the Boston university school of technology, has gone to Palestine, where he will spend a year as director of the American school for oriental study and research.

B. F. Meek, who invented the reel universally used on fishing rods nowadays, died a few days ago at Frankfort, Ky., aged 60. It is said by those who knew him well that he never fished a day in his life.

It was William Pitt who originated the income tax in Great Britain in 1798 as a war tax. The Napoleonic wars were fought with it. From that time to this it has been the resort of all ministries to meet war expenditures.

M. Hanotaux, late French minister for foreign affairs, has informed the electoral committee of Vervins that he will not offer himself for reelection, having decided to retire definitely from politics and devote himself to literature.

James Lawrence, Jr., of Grafton, Mass., is regarded as the most popular man at Harvard this year. "Big Jim," as he is known, is a splendid football player, rowed No. 7 in the 'varsity race, is up in all sorts of athletics, a tremendous social favorite, and, though coming from one of the wealthiest families of New England, is thoroughly democratic.

IN FOREIGN CITIES.

The city of Peking has only one street lamp.

The mints at Sydney and Melbourne coin gold only.

London's 980 common lodging houses have nearly 60,000 inhabitants.

It is proposed to organize a pigeon post at Queenstown to facilitate the reporting of liners off that port.

The gross rental of London's buildings is £43,000,000, while that of all the agricultural land in England and Wales is under £27,000,000.

Viennese hair dressers have held a mass meeting to protest against the prevailing masculine fashion of wearing the hair cut short, as being inartistic and unnatural.

Glasgow spends £90,000 a year on new buildings. The value of house property in London increases by £14,000,000 a year, of which 30 per cent. represents new buildings.

A passenger on a street railway in Vienna claimed damages, which were awarded him, for a shock to his nerves, caused by the conductor shouting out to the passengers to jump off the car, as he feared a collision.

ACROSS THE ATLANTIC.

British yacht clubs own, between them, 4,100 yachts.

British farmers and dairymen are to-day milking over 4,000,000 cows.

There are 184 summits in the highlands of Scotland which exceed 1,000 feet.

Of the 1,900,328 domestic servants in the United Kingdom only 140,733 are men.

Of the 552,000 yearly deaths in Great Britain 20,278 are due to violence.

Three thousand pauper inmates of English workhouses assist in nursing other inmates.

Scotland has only 1,800 acres of orchard, 5,300 of market gardens and 1,400 of nurseries.

Soap has decreased in price from £76 a ton at the beginning of the last century to £22 in 1900.

In Great Britain many soldiers come from Ireland and Wales, and especially from Scotland, whence also explorers come. Sailors, on the other hand, are nearly all English.

THE NEGRO AND THE SOUTH.

(J. E. Shepherd in Raleigh, N. C. Post.)

There are a great many people who believe that since the disfranchisement and lynchings are largely confined to the South, the negro should go elsewhere I have never thought so. The sentiment of lynching seems to be getting all over the country. The Southerner and the negro understand each other better than any other section of people, and there is at the bottom of the heart of the Southerner a love for the negro that is genuine. That they have drifted apart to some extent I admit.

All the negro is asking is a sympathetic hand to point out the way and he will follow. I do not know one respectable negro in the South who desires social equality. All he is asking is his rights before the law, his right to earn an honest dollar and to be treated as a man and he will make his way.

In the South the bulk of the negroes will remain and since they are here to stay, it is wisdom to treat them kindly, and you will have a better class of citizens, and a better class of citizens means increased property value and more material prosperity.

I am hopeful for the future because I believe in the ultimate triumph of right. "Justice may slumber but she never soundly sleeps." The negro must acquire property, maintain a respect for law and order, get an education, not an education that unfits for work but the education that will enable a man to do more work. Let him fit himself for the higher citizenship and it will come just as sure as day follows night. Let him be content here in the South, his natural home, and seek to bring about a better condition of things. This can be done by following the advice I have laid down. The white man also has a duty to perform, by being more favored he must point out the way, seek to raise up instead of crushing, give liberty instead of bondage, and a generation will spring up and as their forefathers did will shed their blood for your protection and the protection of your homes.

Right here side by side is the bright sunny Southland, we are going to work for its material prosperity, the advancement of its citizens of every class and the liberty of all.

A FINE DISPLAY OF TALENT.

Asbury Sunday School Library.

There was an appreciative audience present at Asbury Church on last Thursday evening, the occasion was a literary and social entertainment for the benefit of the Sunday School library. There were fully on hundred books presented to the committee Prof. W. R. Patterson was master of ceremonies and presented an excellent program. Some of the most entertaining features of the evening were presented, Miss Etta J. Webster, who made a very laughable and entertaining address. Mrss Webster is an entertaining talker. The select reading by Miss Maude Dowling was good. She is a very refined reader A paper, entitled the State and the Individual, by Miss J. M. Newman was a scholary production. The select reading and recitation by Madame Slude created great laughter. This distinguished lady was called to the front several times. The amateur chior under the leadership of Mr. Howard Greene, rendered some fine selections. On a whole the entire entertainment was good. At the conclusion of the program, the audience was invited to the lecture room below where refreshments were served under the supervision of the church committee. Rev. I. L. Thomas, D. D. pastor, made an announcement of the coming bazaar and fair which is to take place soon.

JOSEF HOFFMANN TO PIANO PLAYERS.

The Famous Pianist's Advice to Those Who are Studying Music.

"Do not practice longer than two hours in succession, altogether not more than six hours daily," writes Josef Hoffmann in The Ladies' Home Journal for October in telling about "Playing the Piano Correctly."

"Beware of overstudying your pieces, and stop when you have been fairly successful a few times with the passages you have been studying. It is advisable to keep the ears open, rather than the eyes, and always to use the best possible instrument for practicing, so that you may know whether it is the fault of the instrument or that of the fingers if you miss a tone. In this way the ear will be accustomed to euphony, and the sense for beauty of sound will be cultivated. Quick passages should be repeatedly played at a slower tempo, slow ones at a quicker tempo—the latter because a tendency to dragging is created by the constant slow playing of a passage. Do not waste too much time on finger exercises. In the long run they will impair the musical natnre of the student. You can employ your time much better by selecting essentially difficult passages from good compositions and practicing them like etudes. I would also advise the student to attend orchestral concerts as frequently as possible, for these are greater benefits than anything else. Follow no system in practicing. Do not play from nine o'clock sharp until twelve every forenoon, and so on through several years, but play different pieces at different hours and on different days. Never practice until fatigued."

THE FIGHT IN SOUTH CAROLINA.

Republicans Dissatisfied. Edward Deas on the War Path.

The Appointment of a successor to Mr. Webster on the National Committee has created a storm of indignation on the part of the republicans of the state of South Carolina, headed by Edward Deas. Mr. Deas argues that the National Executive Committee should have made the appointment and not Senator Hanna. What the outcome of the fight will be, is a question of conjecture. Mr Deas is opposed to Senator McLauran controling all the federal appointments. He claims that the State Committee will control the next election notwithstanding the fact that Senator McLaurin is given the appointments in the state.

HON. ROBERT W. WILCOX,
Will be the next National Republican Delegate from Hawaii, and will also be the First Senator when Admitted.

Wither Are We Drifting.

Ex-Congressman Geo. H. White of North Carolina addressed the Second Baptist Lyceum last Sunday afternoon. The subject of his address was: "Wither Are We Drifting." Mr. White made one of his characteristic and eloquent speeches which was loudly applauded. He was followed by Ex-Senator John P. Green who also made an interesting address. Mr. Willis Menard read a set of preambles and resolutions on the death of President McKinley, which were unanimously adopted. Mr. S. E. Lacey briefly reported the action of the Afro-American Council at Philadelphia and the cause that led to the defeat of Mr. White. There was excellent music by the Orchestra and singing. Mr. R. W. Thompson, Presided.

Good Thing for His Friends.

Church—I understand the jury stood 11 to 1 in favor of acquittal at first?

Gotham—That's right; we did.

"Well, how in the world did the 11 ever come around to think as the one man?"

"Well, you see, the fellow who was alone for conviction knew the prisoner pretty well, and he told us that the fellow had a lot of interesting children, and he was forever telling stories about their marvelous sayings, so we thought it wouldn't hurt to lock him up for a few weeks.—Yonkers Statesman.

JUSTICE O'DONNELL.

The Bar's Appreciation of His Services—Made Himself Popular by His Fair and Unprejudiced Decisions.

When Justice John H. O'Donnell assumed the United States branch of the Police Court last summer he made himself one of the most popular Judges that has ever been upon the bench. His decisions were as fair and as just as could come from any man. He was sociable with the bar and kind to the officers of the Court. He knew no man by the color of his skin, neither was he dictatorial or abusive to the bar or to those who may have met with a misfortune. Children who were brought there from seven to ten years of age, he would give a lecture and tell their parents to take them home and correct them. He did not believe in encourging officers in bringing babies to court like many others, who would fine them and hold them in the custody of the Board of Children's Guardians until their fine was paid. A person who was quilty indeed and infact who would be brought before Justice O'Donnell would receive a severe punishment. Such a man is needed in the Police Court. There is a testimonial to be tendered him shortly by members of the bar.

THE NEGRO AND HIS TROUBLES.

Why they are Appointed. Is the Nation Grateful?

The question that is now agitating the public mind is the condition of the colored people in this country. Just what course to pursue is a question that the best minds in the country cannot solve. Is it the negroes fault that he is opposed and oppressed? The great opposition to the negro is his condition. It is more that than any thing else, Is the nation grateful to the negro for what he has done?

IN THE REALM OF POETRY.

Courage.

Courage! Best partner of our joys and woes!
E'en in the darkest hour of earthly ill,
Never undimmed, thy welcome beacon glows,
Throbs with each pulse, and beats with every thrill!
Bright o'er the wasted scene thou hoverest still,
Angel of comfort to the failing soul,
Undaunted by the tempest wild and chill,
Whose angry and disastrous billows roll,
And taint what thou hast done with death and dole!

When sorrow rends the heart with feverish pain,
And wrings hot drops of anguish from the brow,
To soothe the soul, to cool the burning brain,
O, who so welcome and so true as thou!
The battle's blood-dimmed scene and angry glow—
The death-encircled pillow of distress—
The lonely moment of secluded woe—
Alike thy guidance and thy worth confess,
Alike thy valor and thy friendship bless.
—Robert Mackay, in Success.

Yer Mother.

Wha'd yer do without yer mother?
How'd yer know what things wuz right?
Wha'd yer do w'en yer wuz frightened?
Who would hear yer prayers at night?
How'd yer keep yer clo'es thegither?
How'd yer dast ter hev a sick,
Ef thar wan't no ma ter help yer.
What could fix yer up right quick?

Thar's sometimes yer ma she licks yer,
(Though perhaps yer oughter be;
P'r'aps yer been a-makin' faces,
Or a-fightin' with Bob Lee);
But yer wouldn't trade yer mother—
Not fer more'n a dozen farms;
Fer thar's nuthin' dast ter touch yer
W'en yer in yer mother's arms.

An' one time I knowed a feller
What jes' didn't have no ma—
Don't it seem like that was awful?
Oh, o' course, he had er pa;
But th' pas ain't mas, no, siree!
W'en a feller's feelin' bad;
An' I reck'n I'd be lonesome
Ef a pa wuz all I had.
—Detroit Free Press.

The Plains of Peace.

"Give me the heights of fame,
The hills most high;
And let me write my name
Across the sky!"

Thus in the night I heard
The voice of one
Whose heart and soul were stirred
To reach the sun.

Anon, across the years,
I heard him cry:
"O give me back the fears,
The hopes gone by!

"The lowly ways were best,
The vale and glen,
Where I could toil—and rest
With other men.

"The heights of fame are sweet,
But sweeter still
That humble, glad retreat,
Beneath the hill."
—Charles Hanson Towne, in Youth's Companion.

Longing.

CHARLEY.

Oh, for a breath of the pure, fresh air
That blows through the country lane;
Oh, for the wild, sweet freedom where
They gather the golden grain—
Oh, to be out at Uncle Dan's,
Where the sky spreads broad and blue,
Where the cream is thick in the shining pans,
And there's joy in the work men do.

UNCLE DAN.

Oh, but I wish that I could go
To the city to stay awhile,
Where they've got them 'lectrical fans to blow
And kin live in a decent style.
Where there's nothin' to do and sights to see
And people can hear the chink
Of the chunks of ice that are in their tea
And the other stuff they drink.
—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

Enchantment.

The perfect hush of summer broods o'er all;
The distant masses of blue, misty trees;
The sleeping clouds, like spell-bound palaces,
Lie motionless, nor heed the parting call
Of yon belated cuckoo. As in thrall,
The river scarcely moves; the gentle breeze
Is softer than the murmuring of bees;
And even the dew will hardly dare to fall.

This charmed peace has brought my soul so near
To Nature's heart of deep tranquillity,
That all the world is far removed from me;
And when my thoughts, as always, turn to thee,
It seems a hundred years since thou and I
Were here together. Did I dream it, dear?
—James Slaney, in Chambers' Journal.

TO BREAK THE SOLID SOUTH

The New Administration Has a Clearly Defined Policy.

OLD TIME LEADERS OF THE SECTION TO BE DISREGARDED.

Former Democrats to Replace Them

Evidence of the Plan Found in Several Actual and Prospective Appointmets to Federal Offices—Old Time Republican Leaders to Have Smaller Plums by Way of Consolation—Gold Democrats and Capable Negroes to be Favored.

From the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

October 7.—Acts of President Roosevelt and the Republican national committee clearly establish that a well defined policy hasb een formulated for building up a new Republican party in the south. The program contemplates selecting party leaders from among the new element of the party in the south—men who have only recently deserted the Democratic ranks. The old-time leaders are to be disregarded.

It is argued that men who have been lifelong Democrats will not accept as leaders those of the Republican ranks against whom they have been arrayed for so many years and with whom they have engaged in bitter partisan struggles, but that they will forsake their party for the Republican camp if the standard is brone by those with whom they were formerly affiated

Evidence of this plan is found in the appointment bv Chairman Hanna and the national committee of John G. Capers, District Judge of South Carolina as a member of the national committee of that state, and in the selection by President Roosevelt of Loomis Blalock as colector of internal revenue for South Carolina. Capers only became a Republican convert in 1896, when he supported McKinley as against Bryan, and succeeds the late E. A. Webster, a Republican leader in Soutn Carolina for many years. Blalock is a recent accession to the Republican ranks. Neither represent any of the views of the old line Republicans of the south but do represent the new element of Republicanism.

Old-time Republican bosses of the south sought these places and cofidedently expected to secure them, but they were given a setback. They are to be whipped into line line and will receive a share of the plums by the way of consolation.

President Roosevelt has already enunciated a policy as regards the south that has for its purpose the appointment of Gold Democrats and capable negroes to federal positions in the south, where they are shown to be better qualified than men who have no further recommendation than the fact that they have worked for the party.

Mr. Roosevelt is receiving applause from the south for this. Even today he said to Representative Shompson of Alabama; "If I cannot find Republicnns I will appoint Democrats. I will appoint men to positions in the south that will cause southerners to respect Republican party."

It was the sentiment that actuated him in the appointment of ex-Gov Jones of Alabama to the federal judgeship in that state, which appointment is announced today. The selection of ex-Gov. Jones also harmonizes with the new policy conceived by President Roosevelt and party leaders.

Ex-Gov. Jones always has been a Democrat and was twice chief executive of his state. He was Gen. Gordon's adjutant general during the civil war. In 1896, as a Gold Democrat, he supported Palmer and Buckner. It is understood that Booker T. Washington, the well known negro educator was one of ex-Gov. Jones' supporters. The latter not only has aided Mr. Washington in his efforts to elevate the negro suffrage amendment incorporated in the Alabama constitution.

Representative Thompson of Alabama, a Democrat, who learned of ex-Gov. Jones' appointment from the president himself, upon leaving the White House, expressed satisfaction over the president's action.

"Mr. Jones," said he, "is not only one of the ablest lawyers in Alabama, but one the most prominent and highly esteemed citizens of the state."

As three years intervene between now and the next presidential election there will be many opportunities for replacing old-time leaders with those from the ranks of the recruits in the south, in furtherence of the scheme for breaking the solid south.

Malaga Grapes.

Malaga is supposed to be the home of Malaga grapes, but in that particular it is largely a misnomer. Malaga grapes used to flourish in that vicinity many years ago, but there was a blight that killed off most of the vines, and that special brand of fruit is now chiefly grown elsewhere in Spain.—N. Y. Sun.

THEY SAY—

Don't think that you know it all.

You don't possess all the sense. There are others you know.

Judge O'Donnell should be placed upon the bench.

A Judge who thinks that he knows it all, cannot be taught common sense.

Some people can be taught what they don't know.

Others claim to know it all, but they are fooled.

Think well all the time before you express yourself.

Everrett J. Waring will wake up one of these bright mornings and see his deformed picture.

Let us hope for better days, although they may be slow coming.

New York wants the Recordership. So does the District of Colbis.

Believe some things that are told you, but be slow in believing any

This may look a little inconsistant but, nevertheless it is the truth.

You may desert a good friend and afterwards regret it.

President Roosevelt is a man quick in the eye and slow to commit himself.

No man is certain of life neither is he perfect in everything.

If you know what is good for you, be sure and take it.

It is easier to be honest than it is to be dishonest.

The truth is the best thing to tell always.

Mother and son should be inseparable.

The Virginia Constitutional Convention is drawing the color line.

The Color line drawn in a Constitution, is unconstitutional.

A lie may serve your purpose for a time, but it will not always work.

Speak well of your neighbor.

Anarchist must go, or the untry will be in danger.

Success will come to those who are honest and thrifty.

It is easier to tell the truth than it is to lie.

All that looks bright is not ways bright.

If you see a man in the street in rags and tattered clothes don't shun him.

You may want him some day when he is in better circumstances.

The man who talks about his neighbor without cause, will stab his friend in the dark.

Great things will come to him who is persevering.

A lazy person cannot succeed, even if he so desires.

Strikes are not always successful.

President McKinley's memory will not be forgotten.

President Roosevelt is sound on the Negro question.

If you have a good friend keep him by all means.

A friend is like hens' teeth hard to find.

The Afro-American Council will disband.

President Roosevelt will go slow, and don't you forget it.

All that glitters is not gold Neither are all men pure.

Some politicians can tell the truth.

A successful politican will keep his promises.

If you want to succeed with those who have helped you keep your promises.

Schools have opened, now for the bosses.

Don't imagine that you are so important that you can't be done without.

Now that the assassin has pleaded guilty, make quick work of him.

Major Sylvester is to be complimented.

He knows his business and you can't say that he doesn't.

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If you want a true defender read THE BEE.

ANTS USED IN SURGERY.

Strange Antiseptic Method of Treating Wounds Adopted by Indian Medicine Men.

From a late adventure among the Passamaquoddy Indians who live on the borders of New Brunswick Dr. Robert Loud, of Boston, who has been hunting bears in the Maine woods for the past month, believes that the aboriginal inhabitants of America are possessed of a wide knowledge of medicine and surgery, using some methods which may be adopted into general practice with benefit to the public. Late in August while camping on the Micmac river he had the misfortune to cut a deep gash in his leg, which bled

"IN NINE DAY ALL WELL."

copiously and caused him much pain and trouble until he was so fortunate as to receive a visit from Chief Oku, a great medicine man of the tribe, whose fame is known among all the Indians of the eastern states. The cut was badly inflamed when Oku arrived, but he at once reduced the swelling by bathing his leg with a decoction of elm bark and tying up the wound in fresh clay from a brook. When Dr. Loud asked the Indian to take some stitches in the cut Oku replied:

"Heem no good. I read heem mak' heem swell up, so be sore. See w'at Oku, heem do."

The chief, says the New York Sun, went to a clearing and returned with a dozen large and very lively brown ants. Then, grasping the two sides of the cut between his thumb and finger and pinching them together, he caused an ant to bite at the edge, putting his jaws through both sides of the cut and closing them as firmly as if they had been in a vise. When he had applied eight ants in this manner he coolly pulled off their bodies, leaving nothing but their heads attached.

"Now heem bin stay there 'til heem sore geet well," said Oku, winding a bandage of soft cloth around the leg and fastening it as neatly as a trained nurse could have done. "In nine day—12 day, maybe, take off cloth; find heem all well."

Dr. Loud followed instructions and came out cured. The heads of the ants had held on as firmly as pincers, and, although the insects were long dead, it required considerable force to pull away the locked jaws. Dr. Loud also believes that the formic acid which the ants secrete from their mandibles has antiseptic qualities which are unknown to medicine, and proposes to to make a few experiments along this line on his return to Boston.

LADY AND CARPENTER.

Unexpected Comment of a Frenchwoman on Being Presented with an Excessive Bill.

The pitfalls of the English tongue to a foreigner are many. A French woman who has undertaken housekeeping in New York thought she had a good

ENDEAVORED TO REMONSTRATE.

working knowledge of the language, but soon discovered her mistake.

One day she called a carpenter and planned with him to have some work done about the house in the way of putting up shelves, etc., and she went over the ground with him as carefully as possible to get from him an estimate of what it would cost.

After the work was done the bill submitted was considerably in excess of the sum first named. The French woman endeavored to remonstrate, but only succeeded in making the following remarkable statement to him:

"You are more dear to me than when we were first engaged."

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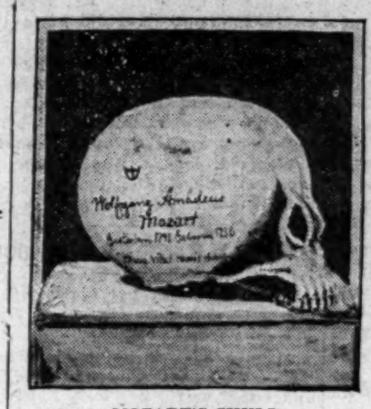
LOCATED AT LAST.

Mozart's Skull Now Placed in the Hyrtl Orphan Asylum at Moedling, in Austria.

Owing to an extraordinary story which was recently circulated to the effect that Mozart's skull had been stolen from a museum in Vienna, the skull itself has now been found, and its history, which is an astounding one, has been traced and authenticated.

Mozart's skull was never in the Mozart museum in Vienna, from which it was alleged to have been stolen. It has now been placed in the Hyrtl orphan asylum at Moedling, in Austria.

It appears from the facts which have now been discovered that Mozart's



MOZART'S SKULL.
(Deposited in the Hyrtl Orphan Asylum, Moedling, Austria.)

body was hurriedly interred along with the bodies of numerous victims of an epidemic. He died at the age of 36 and was buried on a stormy night in 1791, along with other victims of the disease, in St. Mark's cemetery, in Vienna.

Owing to the panic prevailing because of the epidemic there were no obsequies. The exact resting place of Mozart's body was known only to a grave digger called Joseph Rothmayer. Rothmayer was a skilled musician and a great admirer of Mozart, and in order to prevent the body from being stolen he wrapped long wires around the coffin.

Some time afterward Rothmayer animated by musical enthusiasm, surreptitiously opened the grave and stole the skull. He kept it as a sacred relic until his death, when it became the property of one Radschopf, his successor.

Both these men maintained the greatest secrecy about their ghastly treasure. Joseph Hyrtl, brother of the celebrated anthropologist, became the next owner of the skull. Hyrtl was a musician of renown and an ardent admirer of Mozart, and Radschopf gave him the skull as a mark of esteem, one of the most extraordinary presents ever given by one person to another.

On his deathbed only did Hyrtl reveal the secret. He then told his brother Joseph. The latter had the cranium carefully prepared and placed on a velvet cushion under a glass cover. With his own hand Joseph Hyrtl inscribed the following words on the temporal bone:

"Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart,
"Gestorben 1701, geboren 1766,
"Musa vitat mori! Horaz!"

In this condition Mozart's skull is now to be seen at Moedling.

HAS LOST HIS SIGHT.

Jules Verne, Famous French Romancer, Reported to Have Become Completely Blind.

Jules Verne, who is reported to have become totally blind at his home in Amiens, France, has been a sufferer with deficient eyes for a long time. The great romancer of science is now in his seventy-third year, but he has never ceased his literary work, even after his sight began to fail. He published a novel only three years ago,

JULES VERNE.
(Famous French Novelist Has Completely Lost His Sight.)

and, although this did not bear the vigorous stamp of his early work, it was by no means weak. M. Verne recently distinguished himself by declining a seat in the French academy for the second time. He began his literary career as a dramatist and for 13 years labored successfully in the field as a writer of comedies. It was not until 1863 that he published the first of the stories upon which his fame was to rest. This was "Five Weeks in a Balloon." Its immediate and rebounding success induced M. De Verne to continue to exploit himself in this direction and the result was that widely read series of romances which have delighted the world, young and old, for 30 years or more. M. Verne's chief amusement since his youth has been yachting. He owns a fine steam yacht and his happiest days have been those spent on its decks.

Healthy Town in England.

At Norton Fitzwarren, a Somerset, England, village, with a population of 600, no death has been recorded for over a year.

DINED ON GOLDFISH.

The Customer Got What He Thought Was a New Dish.

Caught the Little Sparklers with Hook and Line and Then Ordered Them Fried—Good Thing for the Waiter.

The gentleman who, in nautical phrase, seemed to be "three sheets in the wind, with the mainsail flapping," careened against the window of the all-night restaurant, says the St. Louis Star. "I wan' som'thin' t'eat," said the bibulous one. "Som'thin' dif'rent." He went into the restaurant and huskily inquired of the waiter what there was in the place in shape of food.

"Eggs, steak, cold beef, any kind of pie. What'll you have?" rattled the waiter.

The bibulous one leaned his head on the nearest table and wept. "Thatjes what all uzzer waishers said," he sobbed. "I don' wansh eggs, steak er col' beef. Wansh sunshin dif'rent."

"Sorry, sir," said the waiter. "What particular think different would you like to have? Perhaps we can send out and get it for you."

"Wansh fif' cents' worth fried polar bear."

"Sorry," again replied the waiter. "A lot of Eskimos were in here this evening, and they ate up the last piece of polar bear meat we had. We can send up to the park and have the polar bear in the zoo killed for you, but we couldn't get the meat back here for three or four hours."

"Too long, too long," moaned the inebriated individual, "no ush."

He arose and walked unsteadily out of the restaurant, but paused at the door to look back reproachfully at the waiter. Then he spied the tank of goldfish that stood in the restaurant window. His face brightened up and he returned to the table again.

"I wanst golsh fish," said the bibulous one. "Fry fresh golsh fish. Like

HE FISHED FOR HALF AN HOUR.

mosher user to mashe. Wan' keh um selfh."

"Couldn't do that, sir," said the waiter. "The goldfish are a window ornament."

"Don't care whash golsh fish are. Want 'em. Mush have 'em frish."

"Can't serve them, sir," said the waiter.

"Ah, get out," pursued the bibulous customer. "I got plentshee money. Ain' ten dollars 'nuff for ole golsh fish? Here's y' ten dollars. Gimme hook an' line."

The waiter decided that ten dollars was a pretty good return for the goldfish, so he accepted the money eagerly, and went back of the counter and hunted up a black thread and a bent pin.

The stranger insisted on using his cane for a fishing pole, and so the black thread was tied to one end of the cane, the bent pin was baited with a crumb of bread and the customer began fishing. He fished for half an hour without getting so much as a bite. He began to revile the goldfish and the restaurant and the waiter, and threatened to break the tank with his cane

The waiter engaged his attention for awhile by selecting some more suitable bait, and while the customer was doing this the waiter reached down in the water and caught a goldfish with his hand and put it on a plate behind the counter.

Then when the customer resumed fishing the waiter yelled: "You've got a bite; pull!" and when the customer yanked his pole up the waiter dropped the fish by the side of the tank.

"You got him, you got him!" yelled the waiter, "but he dropped off the hook. Here he is."

The customer was greatly pleased, and went back to get some more of the magic bait, while the waiter captured another fish. In this way all but of the fish in the tank were caught by the angler and sent back to the cook, who simply put them in a pan of water, for the waiter had been careful to see that they suffered no injury and had kept them alive in a bucket of water, into which he had put them as fast as they had been taken from the tank.

The cook fried some whitefish that had been in the ice chest, and the waiter deftly spread some gold foil taken off plug tobacco on the sides of the fish. He served it in neat style, deftly removing the gold foil with a knife. The bibulous customer put the gold foil in his pocket as a trophy of his capture and ate the fish with great relish.

He gave the waiter a dollar and disappeared in fine spirits down the street. After he was out of sight the cook and the waiter returned the goldfish to the tank.

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They Came to New York to Be Independent, But Became Penniless Instead.

Nellie and Margaret McKeeber, of Cumberland, Md., came to New York several weeks ago, hoping to get employment and become independent. They are girls of education and had been used to comfortable surroundings. They knew little of the hardships of life.

They had a small sum of money when they arrived. They lived cheaply, and each day went forth in search of employment. At first they were desirous of obtaining clerkships. Then they were willing to turn their hands

HUNGRY AND DISCOURAGED.

to any work that came their way. Their money was getting lower and lower.

The girls found themselves the other day without sufficient funds to pay their fare home. No one would give them employment, because they were not known. Both were too proud to apply to relatives for money, so they set forth to walk to Cumberland, several hundred miles away.

Crossing the Pennsylvania ferry, the girls started on their long tramp. They had not gone far before there were holes in their thin shoes. The rocks on the railroad track cut their feet. Then they became hungry and discouraged. Exhaustion followed.

Only as far as Newark could the girls get. They drew up there weeping. Police Capt. Ubhaus, of the First police precinct, gave them food. Then Superintendent Smith, of the Associated Charities, took charge of the girls. He at first purchased tickets for them to Philadelphia, but later he decided that they would be no better off there than in New York, as Philadelphia is more than 100 miles from Cumberland.

The Children's Aid society, of New York, was communicated with, and consented to assist the girls. It is probable that an attempt will be made to find both of them employment. Should this fail they will be sent back to their homes in Maryland.

BULLET IN HIS BRAIN.

Pennsylvania Man Says That the Piece of Lead Causes Him No Inconvenience.

James Callan, an inmate of the Altoona (Pa.) hospital, is probably the only man living and apparently in good health with a bullet in his brain. He attempted suicide on August 14, and fired a 38-caliber bullet into his head. For a time he hovered between life and death, and no attempt was made to probe for the bullet. Then he began to recover rapidly. His mind became

BULLET IN HIS BRAIN.

clear and his normal health returned. His physicians placed him under an X-ray machine and procured a photograph of the man's skull, showing that the bullet was imbedded in the middle of the brain. The photograph is reproduced above. Callan says the bullet causes him no inconvenience. He will be discharged as cured this week.

Adored by Eighteen Wives.

There is no accounting for love's vagaries. A Chicago man who was recently arrested for marrying 18 different women, all good looking and some young, was a rheumatic old stick of sandy complexion, with a squint. He was not even glib of speech, and so far as any man could judge he was about the last of mortal creatures to engage the interest of any woman. Yet all his deceived victims adored him and wanted to get him free. Indeed, he would have been released by their unanimous consent had they not quarreled over the question as to who should have him. The men who profess that they understand women will please step up and explain.

Meat on an Atlantic Liner.

On a big White Star liner, say the Oceanic, the meat carried in the cold-storage chamber for the voyage for six days is 36,000 pounds, to say nothing of 1,800 head of poultry.

RESCUED BY A BASS.

How Mr. Bingwater Was Towed Ashore by a Fish.

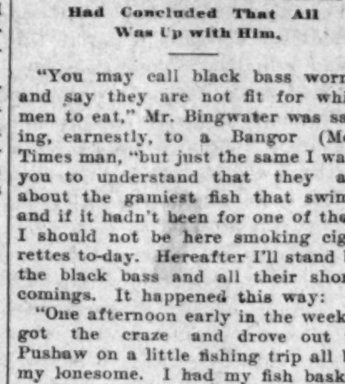
Angler Fortunately Gets Hold of a Lively Black Bass Just When He Had Concluded That All Was Up with Him.

"You may call black bass wormy and say they are not fit for white men to eat," Mr. Bingwater was saying, earnestly, to a Bangor (Me.) Times man, "but just the same I want you to understand that they are about the gamiest fish that swims, and if it hadn't been for one of them I should not be here smoking cigarettes to-day. Hereafter I'll stand by the black bass and all their shortcomings. It happened this way:

"One afternoon early in the week I got the craze and drove out to Pushaw on a little fishing trip all by my lonesome. I had my fish basket and my tomato can full of worms and an old rod which I picked up somewhere about the house, and I made up my mind if there was any fun to be gotten out of bass fishing I would get it. I chartered an old flat-bottomed punt, the cleanest one which I could discover in the vicinity, and then I started out. I rowed like one of the Pennsylvania oarsmen at Henley until I came over near the point of Dollar island, and then I let down the anchor and began to fish.

"It was but the work of two or three minutes to put my rod together, bait the hook with a worm and throw it overboard. After that I waited. I happened to have brought a little pocket edition of Kipling with me, and for the next ten minutes I was deep in the story of the Gadsbys. As I was in the midst of the most exciting part I got a bite.

"I don't suppose that there is need to say anything further in this connection. I played that bass with the hand of a master, and some five minutes later he was flopping and gasping for breath in the stern sheets. As I took



SEIZED BY A HUGE BASS.

the bass off the hook and flung him in the bottom of the boat I made a disagreeable discovery. My punt was leaking badly and there was already quite three inches of water in the bottom. Moreover, it was pouring in with greater rapidity every minute. It was only a question of time before the craft would be swamped. As I can't swim a stroke it didn't strike me that the situation was a particularly pleasant one.

"I decided to toss my line in once more for luck, anyway, and the hook had no more than disappeared beneath the surface when it was seized by a huge bass, who started out toward shore, pulling like a mogul locomotive. The water was rising rapidly and I was getting desperate, when I happened to realize that here was my chance. I quickly made one end of the line fast to a thwart, and, seizing the oars, I helped my friend, the bass, with all the strength that was in me. At last we reached the beach and safety.

"The bass who so fortunately took my bait is still swimming about in the clear, cool depths of Pushaw. I decided that one good turn deserved another, and I carefully removed the hook and tossed him back."

When Mr. Bingwater finished an awful hush fell upon the party and for several minutes no one spoke.

"Why didn't you bail the boat out?" asked little Freddie finally.

Thrilling Snake Experience.

One of the most thrilling affairs in the way of a snake experience happened to a young son of C. B Royal, an employe of the Seaboard Air Line railway at Yulee, Fla. The young fellow, who is only about 12 or 13 years old, was riding from Amelia Beach into Fernandina on his bicycle, when, near the residence of Jimmie Drummond, he ran over an immense rattlesnake which was crossing the road. When the wheel came in contact with the snake he was thrown to the ground and the snake immediately put himself in coil and struck at the boy, missing him with his fangs and striking the body of the bicycle, on which can now be seen their imprint. The body of the snake came in contact with the shoulder of the boy, who was almost paralyzed with fear. At about that time Drummond appeared on the scene and captured the snake, which was a tremendous one, being eight feet long and fully 12 inches in circumference.

Spectators Have Some Rights.

Among the feats of a wild man on exhibition in Wichita, Kan., the programme stated that he would eat chunks of raw liver. He failed to do this, and the spectators wrecked the tent. A learned police justice upheld the act, stating that when people pay good money to see a man eat raw liver they have the right to see him eat raw liver or know the reason why.

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Good Showing.

According to late information from the Census Office the colored population of the United States number eleven and fifty-eight hundreth per cent. of the entire population as compared with former census reports and is giving rise to much speculation and varied public comment. What to do with the negro and what will become of him are questions which have long remained unsatisfactorily answered. Liberia was set apart to colonize free colored people such slaves as were manumitted in slavery days. When slaves were emancipated in the District of Columbia, Congress appropriated a large sum of money, one hundred thousand dollars, to take the freed people away to foreign lands, Liberia, Hayti, and Cow Island in the Carribean Sea and only a few years ago a South Carolina U. S. Senator proposed the deportation of all colored people who desired to leave this country at the public expense. It seems to have been the idea that the two races, white and black, could not live together in this country as free people. Some people predicted that the negro race would bleach itself out by amalgamation with the white race—though an honorable bleaching process has been prevented in every southern state by the enactment of statuary law prohibiting the inter-marriage of the white and colored people. The colored race has gained in population in the past ten years, in fact it is coantantly increasing though it may not be increasing with equal ratio as that of the remaining population. It cannot be expected to do so because the increase of the colored people comes entirely from within this country and is not augmented by emigration from foreign countries. So that is no sign that the race is dying out because the colored population is to the whole population relatively growing less. The fact is the condition and treatment of the colored people in many parts of this country affords no inducement for colored foreigners to come here while it is a happy retreat and asylum for other oppressed people of the lands. The New Orleans Picayune referring to the decreasing percentage of the negro population according to the census of 1900, after stating that in many northern states the negro population has been very materially augmented says "thus will the negro problem be finally settled by their diffusion among the white people of the northern and western states.

Too Much Advice.

A great many newspapers are very busy giving President Roosevelt a lot of cheap advice as to how he should run his administration. Mr. Bryan in an editorial of his paper gratutously urges the President not to maneuver for a renomination and to keep aloof from machine men and machine politics to which the "*Topeka Capital*" rises to explain that advice from a candidate who has twice been defeated for the Presidency comes with poor grace; that if the administration is a success nothing can prevent the country from giving it the customary approval, of a reflection and that president Roosevelt has risen to his present position without the support of he politicians and would seem to be the last man to be in need of advice of a twice defeated candidate, while the *Raleigh News and Observer* chips in the observation that if Mark Hanna should enter the race against Mr. Roosevelt his experience in handling Southern delegates, plus his ducats, would give him a dangerous rivalry to Mr. Roosevelt's distributions of Federal Pie adding that the Southern delegate is up to snuff and will land. And then comes the *Chicago Chronicle* saying that President Roosevelt expects to be charged by the negroes and their friends with abandoning the colored race to its fate in the policy he is to pursue of what he calls bribing Southern democrats and by which their support of republican measures, of tariff and subsidies is to be secured and that the colored race and its rights are to be traded for federal offices for Southern democrats and liberal appropriations for internal improvements in the South. But the *Monroe La News* strikes us as verging on the ragged edge of friendly counsel to the President when it hopes that he will follow his predecessors and not interfere in the race problem in the South for fear it will unsettle political and business conditions and prove disastrous to the Northern Capital invested in that section of the country. It is not probable that the President will loose many sleepless nights worrying over all this voluntary advice but will let the other fellows do the floor walking.

President Roosevelt.

The policy that is to be pursued by the administration in breaking the solid South, is one that every fair minded man must applaud. President Roosevelt as well as Senator Hanna are acting together and they will have the plaudits of the American people, notwithstanding any disaffection that may arise in the Southern republican ranks. The sole object of the administration is to encourage good and strong men in the South to join in and help to make the party strong. Senator Hanna will support the administration and it is believed that the latter is not inimical to the Southern republicans. What has the Southern republicans done to build up the republican party South? Do they put a state ticket in the field? No. All that they do is to keep alive their organizations to elect delegates to every national republican convention to keep themselves in office or to secure an office. If President Roosevelt can build up a strong republican party South by the appointment of active and good men to office he should do so and while there may be some who may kick and become displeased they are injuring themselves and no one else. The South has been under bad republican leadership too long and it is the object of President Roosevelt and Senator Hanna to eliminate from politics, such men that are impeliments to good government. It is believed that the policy adopted by the administration will succeed. President Roosevelt will have support of the party leaders and it is believed that Senator Hanna, whose honesty cannot be questioned, will protect the interests of all good and loyal republicans.

Seems to Be a Hitch.

There seems to be a hitch in the proceedings of the Virginia Constitutional Convention over the suffrage clause to be adopted. The factions are wrangling over the majority and the minority reports of the committee on suffrage of which Senator Daniels is chairman. *The Vicksburg Herald* says that what ever is agreed on the convention will act wisely by promulgating the result without submission to the popular adding that the Alabama Convention has adopted the other rule—of ratification at the polls with the result of a bitter contest and a doubtful outcome. While awaiting the result of the proceedings of the Virginia Convention with some anxiety the general opinion is that wholesale disfranchisement is the aim of the leaders of the Convention and that the "common run" of that body will be forced to do the bidding of their political masters.

Against Lynching.

Judge Lewis who was assigned by the court to defend the assassin of President McKinley took occasion before the jury to inveigh against the doctrines and practice of lynching, He said:

"When that doctrine becomes sufficiently prevalent in this country, it it ever does, our institutions will be set aside and overthrown, and, if we are not misinformed as to the state of mind of the public in some parts of our country, the time is fast approaching when men charged with crime will not be permitted to come into the court and submit to a calm and dignified trial, but will be strung up upon a tree upon the bare suspicion, sometimes, of the fact that they may have committed some crime. Why, it is not long since I read in a paper that a colored man in the South was mobbed and his life taken because he had insulted a white man. What the insult was the newspaper did not say, but he had insulted a white man and his life was taken because of that insult to the white man."

"Now I suggest gentlemen, that that class of the community who are crying out in our streets and who are sending letters suggest that a man charged with the crime that this defendant is should not be permitted to have a trial before a court of justice—I submit that they are a more dangerous class of community than the Anarchists about whom we read so much. No, it is the duty of every American citizen, of every good man, to stand firmly by the law, to put his face against any idea that a man should be punished for any crime until he is proved guilty in a court beyond any reasonable doubt."

It is to be hoped that this seed of wholesome counsel will fall in good ground and that lynching, mob violence, and crimes for which they are claimed to avenge will no longer stain our civilization.

What to Do with the Negro.

The greatest thing that can be done for the negro at the present time is to make him the most useful as well as the most indispensable man in the community. This can be done by thorough education of the hand, head and heart and especially by the constant instilling into every fiber of his being the thought that labor is ennobling and that idleness is a disgrace.—

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

AN APPEAL.

Every effort has been made by State and National Organizations to inaugurate plans and methods to cure the evils that have taken a hold of the minds of the American people and even permitted every Southern legislative body in violation of the American Constitution and the law governing law and order, pass unconstitutional laws. What methods, therefore must the negro adopt to protect himself. Shall he appeal to the shot-gun? No. Shall he use force? No. THE BEE would suggest that a representative conference be held in the District on or about the middle or latter part of November and through that conference let the American people make an appeal to the President and the President to the Congress of the United States. There sh uld be something done at once to ameliorate the condition of the negro in this country. It is hoped that the entire press of the country will take a hold of this matter and do all in its power to pnt this movement on foot. Let this conference be void of politics entirely. There shonld not be the least reference to politics but, simply methods to be adopted, where by the President and the Congress of the United States could adopt such methods to protect all classes of American citizens. It is hoped that the churches through out the country will take an interest in this subject and do all in their power to make this gathering a success. There is every reason to believe that the better element of the American people is opposed to the methods adopted by the mob in justifying such acts that are perpetrated by said mob in satisfying the ends of justice. THE BEE maintains that mob law is in violation of the Constitution of the United States and it never was intended by the framers of the Constitution of the United States, that the violators of the law should go unpunished. The American Negro dosen't believe in any class or individual committing a crime and allowed to go free. The negro, is an American citizen, and while there are some, who don't believe in law or order, there are others who are just as patriotic, honest and sincere in their intentions as the white man. The colored people of the United States are not responsible for what a few of their number may be charged with. Those who have the laws to make and the power to execute them should be able to discrimiuate between those who are good and those who are bad. Therefore, the American people are appealed to take such action in this call that they deem best and wise. It is proposed to have this conference of representative citizens from throughout the country to assemble, in National Confernce on or about the latter part of November 1901 and adopt such an address to the American people through the President of the United States and Congress. Those who favor such a movement will so indicate it, by addressing the Editor of THE BEE, Washington, D. C. The press, throughout the country, irrespective of politics will please give this call favorable consideration.

SILENCED A CRITIC.

Colored Waiter Who Had Fought at San Juan Ends an Argument in a Jiffy.

The incident here related happened the other night at a Chicago boarding house. One of the boarders is an Englishman, who talks with much wisdom on many subjects. He is particularly strong on military matters, and one of his favorite pastimes is to criticise severely the tactics of famous generals in recent campaigns. He thinks nothing at all of "calling down" Gen. "Joe" Wheeler or Gen. MacArthur, and not even his own Lord Kitchener escapes his nimble tongue.

The other evening at dinner, says the Chicago Tribune, he happened to take

"I WAS IN DAT CHAWGE MYSELF."

up the fight at San Juan hill and after abusing the leaders to his heart's content he began to pick flaws in the courage and military discipline shown by the men. The other boarders, who knew the uselessness of arguing with the great military critic, were listening in broad silence.

It happened that one of the negro waiters employed in the boarding house was in the dining-room at the time the soldiers of the American army in Cuba were being denounced. It was seen that he was laboring under some suppressed excitement. Finally he could stand it no longer.

"Excuse me, sah," he began, approaching the orator. Before he could get any further the great military critic turned on him savagely.

"What do you mean by interfering in this conversation," growled the critic. "What do you know about it, anyway?"

"Well, sah," the negro went on. "Of course I don't much about it, sah. But I suved ten years in the Twenty-fifth regiment, sah, and I was in dat chawge myself. My own brother was killed right beside me in front of de blockhouse, sah. Dat's all I know about it."

The other boarders broke out into a roar of applause, under cover of which the military critic beat a hasty retreat. The latest bulletin from the seat of war is to the effect that he is about to change his place of residence.

VANDERBILT AS A BOXER.

Millionaire New Yorker Is Handy with His Fists and Delights in the Rough Exercise.

William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., is a lover of sports in general, although he is not carried away with any of them in particular. He is, however, a clever boxer and likes on occasions to have a friendly bout with some of his friends. His teacher at the New York Athletic club regrets that young Vanderbilt should waste as an amateur abilities that might win for him a belt and distinction in the professional ring. There are other amateur boxers of social distinc-

IT LASTED FOUR ROUNDS.

tion in New York who are so expert that their friends have asserted that they could knock out most professionals in their class. A dozen friends of one such amateur learned to their cost some time ago that their confidence was misplaced. The amateur has held a commission in a crack national guard organization and he was in his college days a skilled oarsman. He was not averse to a friendly little mill with a well-known professional if it could be "pulled off" without publicity. A room was engaged in Brooklyn and the whole affair was arranged with the greatest secrecy. The professional brought over with him three friends who were sworn to silence. The amateur's friends came in small parties and when time was called for the first round everyone settled down for a sporting evening. It lasted only four rounds and then the amateur was knocked out. The professional was generous enough to say that he had proved a "hard proposition," but that did not wipe out defeat.

HALO ENVELOPS HIM.

William J. Bryan Pays Tribute to Martyr President.

Says That Assassin's Deed Exalted the Victim's Place in History—Words That Will Live Long in Many Hearts.

Under the heading "God's Will, Not Ours, Be Done," W. J. Bryan says in the Commoner:

"These were the last words of President McKinley as he bade farewell to the loving companion of his life, to whom his kindness and devotion have been so constant and conspicuous. It was with this beautiful spirit of resignation that he turned from the realities of earth to explore the mysteries of the world beyond.

"The struggle was over—the struggle of a week during which hope and fear alternately gained the mastery. The book of life is closed and his achievements are a part of history. After he became conscious that the end was drawing near, but before the shadows quite obscured the light, he was heard to murmur some of the words of "Nearer, My God, to Thee.' This sacred hymn contains several lines inspired by Jacob's night at Bethel:

"Though like a wanderer,
The sun gone down,
Darkness be over me,
My rest a stone."

"Thus do the lines immortalize the pillow which to Jacob must have seemed hard indeed—the pillow which, when morning came, the patriarch would not have exchanged for the softest one on which a weary head was ever laid.

"The terrible deed at Buffalo, rudely breaking the ties of family and friendship and horrifying every patriotic citizen, crowns a most extraordinary life with a halo that cannot but exalt its victim's place in history, while his bravery during the trying ordeal, his forgiving spirit and his fortitude in the final hours give glimpses of his inner life which nothing less tragic could have revealed.

"But, inexpressibly sad as is the death of McKinley, the illustrious citizen, it is the damnable murder of McKinley, the president, that melts 75,000,000 hearts into one and brings a hush to the farm, the factory and the forum.

WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN.
(Democratic Leader Whose Tribute to McKinley May Become Classic.)

"One of the many striking and touching incidents occurring at Buffalo was the meeting between the president and Mrs. McKinley for the first time after the assault. The dispatches report that Mrs. McKinley took a seat at the bedside and held the president's hand. The distinguished sufferer looked into the face of his good wife and said in a low tone: 'We must bear up; it will be better for us both.' With tears streaming down her cheeks Mrs. McKinley nodded assent.

"There is a depth of pathos in this little incident that must appeal forcefully to those who appreciate the strength of the ties that bind a good husband to a good wife.

"There may be some people who have no idea of the thoughts that were passing through the minds of this couple at that moment. There are, however, many others who can imagine what these thoughts were. There, on the bed of pain, lay the strong, powerful man. By his side sat the frail woman, whose physical weakness has been for so many years the subject of this husband's tender solicitude. In an humble way they began life together. Two little graves had for them a common interest. In prosperity and in adversity they had stood together, participating equally in the joys and sharing equally in the sorrows of life. The wife had shared in the great honors that had come to her husband, and now, when the very summit of political ambition had been reached and political honors had become so common that the conveniences of a quiet, domestic life were longed for by the woman, in order, as she often expressed it, that she might have her husband to herself, the bullet of an assassin had done the work that threatened to blast the highest ambition of this woman's life.

"'We must bear up,' said the president; 'it will be better for us both.' It matters not to what extent other men and women may have grieved; it matters not how many tears other men and women may have shed and how much other hearts may have ached. All of this grief and woe could not have been so acute as was the grief and woe which this man and woman suppressed in compliance with the suggestion: 'It will be better for us both.'"

MODEST LITTLE MAID.

Wrote a Nice Letter to President Harper of the Chicago University to Act as Her Escort.

Dr. Harper, of the University of Chicago, had reason the other day for the unusual broad smile that lingered on his countenance when he recalled the letter that had reached him from Pecatonica, Ill., in the morning, as follows:

"Dear Dr. Harper—I know you will be pleased to learn that I have decided to come to the university school of education this fall. I am going to Chicago next Saturday on the morning train, and, as I have never been in

I'LL MEET HER.

the city before, I would be glad if you would meet me at the depot.

"I am five feet four inches tall, I have light hair and blue eyes and a pleasing appearance. I shall wear a dark brown traveling skirt and a blue waist with a white yoke. I think I shall recognize you from your pictures, but for fear that I may make a mistake, will you please wear your card in your hat? Yours truly, etc."

After reading the letter the president turned it over to his secretary, Dr. Francis Shepardson, with instructions to take it to M. C. MacLean, the head of the bureau of information. Following Dr. Harper's instructions, Dr. Shepardson took the letter to Mr. MacLean and suggested that the latter inform the young lady that it would be rather inconvenient for the president of the university to meet her and that, in addition, it would be setting a bad precedent.

But right there the chivalric nature of the head of the information bureau bubbled forth as he pictured a pretty co-ed "of pleasing appearance" alone and lonesome in a great city. He declared that if the president of the university could not meet her he would, and he immediately set to work to discover on which train the fair one would arrive.

AN ATHLETIC EMBRACE.

Experience of a Baltimore Man with a Friend Whose Strength Was Failing.

"You don't seem to be moving with your usual sprightly agility," said one Baltimore Sun reporter to another as the latter climbed gingerly on a John street car and signaled the conductor not to start the car until he had carefully adjusted himself in the end seat.

"You'd be as decrepit as I am," grimly retorted the other, "if you had been the victim of the same misplaced affection.

"Yes," he continued, "I went to see Spencer off on a Boston boat the other

GAVE ME A HUG.

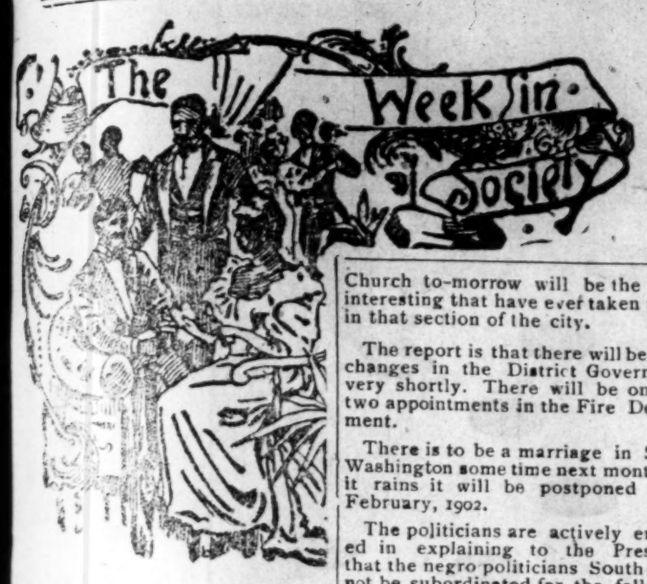
afternoon. Spencer is a crank on athletics, and he said he was going to Boston to recuperate his strength. He felt he'd sort of lost his grip—lost his muscle.

"I was bemoaning the ill luck that kept me drudging instead of accompanying him, when the captain shouted: 'All hands ashore!' I prepared to step off the gang plank when Spencer suddenly swung his right arm around me and gave me a hug which can only be compared to that of the redoubtable Samson of Bible lore. When, gasping for breath, I found myself released and asked if he had designs on my life, he said: 'Only a fraternal embrace, old man—a fraternal embrace,' then waved me off the steamer.

"Two broken ribs are the sequel of the story. I mean to mail Spencer the doctor's bill and tell him he needn't worry over any immediate failure of strength, and I also mean to make a house-to-house canvass among the girls he knows and advise them to wear armor plate if their intimacy with him ever ripens to a point where a fraternal embrace may be expected."

Yawn Dislocates a Jaw.

David Wilson, a molder, of Newark, N. J., gave full play to a yawn, and the result was a dislocated jaw. It was fully an hour before a physician succeeded in getting the jaw replaced.



Mrs. Lillian Young has returned from Buffalo, N. Y.

Gen. Charles Dick of Ohio was in the city this week.

Misses Fannie C. Chase and Jennie Dowling have gone to Virginia.

Recorder H. P. Cheatham, has returned to the city from North Caro na

Mr. Henry D. Pryor has been reinstated in the Government Printing Office.

Mr. Wm. Baltimore of G St., S. W., paid a short visit to Baltimore last week.

Miss Geneva Campbell is the new teacher appointed in the Sewing Department.

If you want to hear fine singing go to Lincoln Temple 11th and R street northwest.

Miss Frederick Sprague has been very sick at her home on 15th street northwest.

Miss Mabel Brooks has returned from New Bedford, where she spent a delightful summer.

Mrs. S. Jones, formerly of Atlantic City, is in the city. Mrs. Jones will remmain here all the winter.

Miss Mamie Tibbs of Baltimore who was the guest of Miss Effie Middleton last week has returned home.

Mrs. Campbell of R street northwest is very sick and has been for some time. She is the mother of Miss Ella Campbell.

Miss Grace Pleasants of F St., N. W., will leave the city this week for Montreal, where she will join her mother and sister.

Miss M. A. Cooper, youngest daughter of Mr. Thomas Cooper of South Washington was married Tuesday night to Mr. Hudgins of Baltimore. The couple will make Baltimore their home.

Lawyer W. C. Martin has been invited to address the Lyceum at Mount Maria Church, Second and O street southwest at 3:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

The Lincoln Temple was crowded to the doors last Sunday morning and evening and the reception on Tuesday evening to the paster Rev. Sterling N. Brown was a most brilliant affair.

Special exercises will be held at the Metropolitan A. M. E. Zion Churbh tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock Add resses will be delivered bv some wellknown citizens. Music by Miss Effie Middleton.

All persons desiring to take the course in the Srcool of Needle Work of Lincoln Temple will need to make early application, since the number to be taken is limited. See Rev. Brown at the church or at 2464 6th stree north west.

James Johnson wno runs the elevator at the Bureau of Engraving fell down the elevator shaft Thursday afternoon, breaking his leg and three ribs, he was carried to the Emergency Hospital where he was treated. Mr Johnson is held in high esteem by both white and colored in the Bureau

A pretty wedding was solemnized at Mt, Zion M. E. Church Wednesday evening. The contracting parties were Miss Josephine M. Cole and Mr. George F. Beason. Rev. W. H. Gaines officiated. The presents were many and handsome.

Mrs. J. W. Johnson of Boston, Mass., who has been spending the summer at May Cottage, York Harbor, Me., is spending a few days with relatives at 7 Hanover St., N. W.

WHAT I SAW AND HEARD.

The new Chief of the Freedmen's Hospital is Dr. Warfield. There is a great deal of dissatisfaction among the colored physicians. Quite a number had pledged themselves to Dr. Purvis and afterwards they opposed him.

There is a great deal of trouble among the colored attorneys. The detectives have gotten in among them and there is no doubt that there will be a shaking up of the dry bones.

The charges that were preferred against cer ain colored attorneys will have a reaction,

Some people can make charges but proving them is another thing.

It was the Democratic Secretary of the Interior, Hoke Smith, who removed Dr. Purvis. If the Secretary intended to appoint any one on his Civil Service Examination it should have been Dr. West. He passed the highest examination of any applicant for the place.

Dr. Phil. B. Brooks is one of the most eminent physicians in this city. He is also one of the most popular young physicians in this city.

The report is that Attorney Campbell Carrington won 12000 dollars at the races. He did not forget his friends and admirers. Mr. Carrington is one of the most genial and affiable members of the bar. He is very popular among those who know him.

The exercises at the A. M. E. Zion Church to-morrow will be the most interesting that have ever taken place in that section of the city.

The report is that there will be some changes in the District Government very shortly. There will be one or two appointments in the Fire Department.

There is to be a marriage in South Washington some time next month. If it rains it will be postponed until February, 1902.

The politicians are actively engaged in explaining to the President that the negro politicians South must not be subordinated for the follow s of McLaurin.

There seems to be some dissatisfaction in the schools. What it is, it is hard to tell. Some complaint has been made about discrimination.

ROUNDER.

Ten Million Years More.

A German scientist, sweltering in Berlin on a very warm day, hopefully looked forward to the time when the sun's heat will be much less than it is at present. This desideratum is announced to occur in about 10,000,000 years.

WHAT HOME IS.

Home has a cool hand and a soft voice—and sympathy.

Home is where you can speak your mind and criticise your employer.

Home is where you can pull off your shoes and put on your slippers.

Home has a quiet rest for the tired head, and home is where you can cry out your heartweariness.

Home is where you can shove the day's burdens into the hall closet and hold yourself straight and free once more.

A home is a responsibility, but not any more so now than in the time of our fathers. No man or woman worthy of the name will shirk a responsibility that means the welfare of our country. It is that responsibility that makes sturdy citizens and selects great men to rule us.

Home is earth's Eden to those who wish it to be so and will strive to make it so. A little more thoughtfulness, a little less selfishness; a little of self-abnegation and a good deal of sentiment; much of imagination and a great lot of lovableness; an ideal to grow to and enough practicability to keep things moving smoothly; such constitute the haven that most of us look forward to and that some of us reach.

SCIENTIFIC BREVITIES.

The American quail has been successfully acclimatized in Sweden.

One inch of rain equals 100 tons to the acre.

Etymologists declare that the sugar-cane has 227 varieties of insect enemies.

Dew falls on a yellow surface more readily than on green. On red and black it will not usually form.

On September 7, 1896, the astronomer Wolf made a record by discovering seven planetoids in one evening.

The silkworm thread is one five-thousandth of an inch in diameter, that of the spider one thirty-thousandth.

The sun's light is equal to 5,563 wax candles at one foot from the eye. It would take 800,000 full moons to equal sloudless sunshine.

Vaccination is very strictly enforced in Germany, and very loosely in France. Germany's loss by smallpox is only 110 a year; that of France 14,000.

NOTES FOR RAILROADERS.

Our miles of railroad track exceed by more than 10,000 all the tracks of Europe.

Out of 100,000,000 passengers by sea all over the world, 30 lose their lives; out of the same number by rail, 47.

Hezekiah Earl, of Auburndale, Mass., has just closed voluntarily a term of 61 years in the employ of the Boston & Albany railroad. He was a clerk in the freight office. He was born in Boston August 15, 1817, and was a sailor in his youth. He is strong and well, and greatly enjoys his well-earned leisure.

According to the Railroad Gazette, 1,968 miles of new railroad were built in the United States during the first six months of this year. The roads were built by 154 companies. Last year 2,111 miles were constructed in the same time. Texas leads, with 245 miles, while Oklahoma is second, with 243 miles.

ODD BITS OF INFORMATION.

It takes nearly four pounds' weight of grapes to make a bottle of wine.

New Orleans has the only paper in the United States that publishes a Sunday evening edition.

If you saved the ash of all the cigars you smoked you would have consumed 1,600 before you had a pound of ash.

Elks' teeth are scarce and valuable in the Indian territory; and it is said that some of the thrifty Indians are digging into the graves of their ancestors to find the teeth buried with them.

Herman Smith Turner, recently appointed a cadet from Maryland, has been admitted to the Annapolis academy in spite of the fact that while he is over six feet t.ll he weighs but 95 pounds.

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Tramp—I'm not an idler, mum; I'm unfortunate.

Housekeeper—Humph! Did you ever work for a living?

Tramp—Yes, mum. I used to be a salesman fer Dr Wigg's gold medal hair restorer, mum; an' I worked so hard an' faithfully fer him, mum, that he discharged me.

Housekeeper—Nonsense! Why should he?

Tramp—You see, mum, the worry an' overwork tryin' to do a big business fer him made me prematurely bald, mum.—N. Y. Weekly.

Unrecognized.

The wise look dismal, I surmise,
Because folk won't believe they're wise.
—Puck.

NOT WHAT IT WAS MADE FOR.

Chatterton (sourly)—Why don't you go into the water?

His Wife (naively)—Would you have me take all the starch out of the collar and cuffs of my bathing suit?—Brooklyn Eagle.

A Doublet.

Dar's de dubble-breasted jacket,
De dubble-breasted sack;
Dar's de dubble-breasted mackintosh
Dat keeps de watah back;
Dar's de dubble-breasted obercoat,
De dubble-breasted vest;
But a dubble-breasted chicken
Wud suit dis chile de best.
—Arkansaw Thos. Cat.

Years Ago.

Miss Pinkie—What do you think of this? King Edward VII. says American girls are the prettiest in the world.

Rival Belle—No doubt he had you in mind.

"I have never been over there."

"No, but he's been here."—N. Y. Weekly.

Dilatory.

"It's kind of discouraging, Ethel," said Mr. Cumrox; "kind o' discouraging."

"What is, father?"

"It's a month since you read your graduation essay, and they haven't taken your advice on how to run the government yet."—Washington Star.

No Harm Done.

Chappie—I'd just like to know what you mean by being engaged to both Cholly and me at once?

Miss Pinkie—Why, bless me! there is no harm done; you can't either of you afford to marry me, you know.—N. Y. Weekly.

The Growth of Germany.

Since the treaty of peace between France and Germany was signed, in 1871, Germany has not extended her territory by a single acre on the continent of Europe; but she has increased her population by 16,000,000.

Doubly Useful.

Tourist—I see you have fitted up your scarecrows with hoes and rakes, so as to look like men working in the field. That's a good idea.

Farmer—Yes, siree. Scares away tramps.—N. Y. Weekly.

Failing Sight.

Bad Burt—No, I ain't the shot I uster be.

Tourist—How's that?

Bad Burt—Why, I had ter use two bullets on the last feller I killed.—Town Topics.

SOME ENGLISH FIGURES.

Ninety-eight thousand lunatics are at present in British asylums.

There are 140 hospitals in London. Offertories on Hospital Sunday average £35,000.

The United Kingdom has now 22,000 miles of railway—just double the mileage of 1861.

In 1840 the parliamentary grant for education was £10,642. It is now £8,000,000 a year.

England has 3,000 miles of canals, Ireland 600, Scotland 150. They carry 36,000,000 tons a year.

The total rental paid by British tenants is £49,000,000 a year, that by Scotch tenants £7,000,000.

English people consume each four tons of coal a year; Belgians just under three, Germans only 1¾ tons.

Although Britain's home-grown wheat would only make bread for her people for ten weeks, yet she grows potatoes to last her for over ten months.

Of the fish landed in Great Britain last year herring came second to haddock in value. The two between them were worth £4,140,000 out of a total of £9,350,000.

Less than one in one hundred British farms are over 500 acres in extent; 20 per cent. are between five and twenty acres, and nearly 23 per cent. below five acres.

Two pounds of tobacco per head of the population are imported yearly into Britain; but it is calculated that each smoker consumes, on an average, eight pounds in a year.

EDUCATION AND RELIGION.

The archbishop of Canterbury recently dedicated an open-air pulpit at Spitalfields parish church.

The practice of punishing pupils by deducting credits for scholarship has been forbidden in the San Francisco schools.

The churches of the borough of Manhattan, New York City, will send about 30,000 boys and girls and mothers to the country this summer. Of the various churches the Episcopal sends by far the greatest number of children, Trinity alone sending 4,000.

There are some 6,000,000 Protestants in Russia who enjoy religious liberty with the stipulation that they must be born of Protestant parents, and must not proselyte. Preaching in nine languages is heard every Sunday in St. Petersburg in the Protestant churches.

Parts of a magnificent manuscript of the Gospel of St. Matthew were found last year near Sinope and bought for the Bibliotheque Nationale at Paris. Two of the pages which were missing have been recently discovered at Maripol, on the Sea of Azov, and bought by the local museum. The volume was made of vellum, tinted with purple, and written in large golden uncials in Greek.

AMONG ELECTRICIANS.

An attachment is provided in Sweden by which the secrecy of the telephone line is assured. The apparatus, which is rented at a moderate rate, indicates whether the telephone operator is listening or not.

The municipal council of St. Petersburg is to send an electrical expert to the United States in order that he may study the telephone system of this country with a view to reorganizing the one in use in St. Petersburg.

Marconi has a motor carriage which is equipped with a folding cylinder on top of the car and devices for the transmission of wireless telegraphic signaling. Motor cars fitted with this device are to be used in forthcoming military maneuvers in Europe.

A Clean Record.

Gushley—Col. Blunose boasts that in al his experience as a soldier he never knew what it was to retreat.

Lushley—Why, he doesn't even know what it is to treat once.—Phil.

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REAL PYTHON FEAST

Why Lieut. Smith and His Sergeant Espoused Vegetarianism.

They Appeased Igorrote Etiquette by Eating Two Portions of Roast Snake—Didn't Like Its Taste or Smell.

"Ever eat any snake?" asked Sergt. Bill Hunter in the Annex grillroom last night of a Chicago Post man who was sitting across the table hearing how L company, Seventeenth regiment, had suppressed the insurrection in Luzon. The newspaper man admitted that he had never eaten any serpent. Sergt. Bill then told him what he knew about boiled python as an entree.

"We did harder things than kill niggers over there," said Bill, "and this was one of them. Lieut. Smith—Ernest G. Smith, a Yale man and a good soldier—with a squad of men was building a bridge somewhere in Tarlac. I was cutting mahogany trees on a mountain side when I saw a big python swing down out of a tree and glower at me as if he didn't like me. He was 16 feet long and as thick as my waist. We shot him nine times before he died.

"As we dragged him into camp that evening to show him to Smith a whole village of mountain dwarfs trailed behind. When we reached the lieutenant's tent the chief, with much ceremony, asked for the carcass, saying that his tribe had watched and waited on the snake a month. He told the lieutenant he wanted to give a python feast.

"Just at that time those Igorrotes were good people to stand in with. If they took a dislike to you they could hide their little bodies in the trees and plug away at you with their bows and arrows and do much damage. So the lieutenant said they could have the snake. The chief then invited him to the feast.

"This was a trifle more than Lieut. Smith had bargained for, but to decline meant to offend the chief. He accepted and asked if he could bring a friend. I was the friend.

WE ATE TWO PORTIONS.

"We went up into the mountain that night after dark. The huts of the village were built in a circle, and in the center were a number of fires. The python had been skinned, carved and divided. Little groups of dwarfs squatted around these fires and cooked the snake. We were escorted to the chief's dining place.

"When they handed me a big chunk of that thing I nearly reneged. It was white, sort of slimy looking and the smell was not pleasant. But I saw the lieutenant bite into his, and I shut my eyes and followed. It tasted like chicken, only it was gamier. We ate two portions, the lieutenant and I, before we were certain that Igorotte etiquette had been appeased. But we never ate any more. Both of us are vegetarians now."

Keepers Have Fight with Alligators.

When the keepers, Mr. Snyder and Mr. Shannon, attempted to remove the alligators from their pen in Central park, New York, to their winter quarters under the lion house the other day the animals rebelled, and it was only after the largest one had been tied up with ropes and the smaller one placed in bags that they were subdued. While they were being transferred they bit at the keepers, and roared so loudly that many people were attracted to the scene.

The keepers were greeted with savage roars when they approached the largest alligator in the pen and tried place a rope about its head. Every time the keeper came near with the rope in his hand the animal bit at him, and finally the keeper retired to devise a plan by which he could get the rope about his neck. This was done with the assistance of another keeper and a loud noise to divert the reptile. Then Mr. Snyder, by a quick movement, succeeded in lassoing the alligator. Tying it to a post, the keepers succeeded, after much maneuvering, in putting the rope about its nose and under its jaws so it could not bite. Struggling and making desperate efforts to free himself, the alligator was carried into its winter home.

Loaning of Jewelry.

It is the practice of London West end jewelers to loan magnificent tiaras and other articles of jewelry for special occasions. These things are loaned as a courtesy to specially good customers, while other people less well known must make a deposit of the value of the jewels before taking them.

Derivation of "Tawdry."

"Tawdry" is derived from St. Audrey. In the early middle ages fairs were held in France and England on St. Audrey day, and those annual gatherings became noted for the gaudy and worthless jewelry sold at them.

NEW ARMORED BEETLE.

It Preys on All Sorts of Caterpillars and Carries a Cruel, Death-Dealing Lance.

Nature has once more proved that she knows how to manage affairs in her numerous departments. While the suburbs are still bewailing a plague of caterpillars she has begun the work of extermination. She has sent a bug to do the work, and it is a wonderful bug indeed—a bug errant, one might say, for it has a lance and a suit of armor and just as much devotion to duty as any knight one ever read about.

This remarkable bug does not seem to have any mission upon earth except to fight caterpillars. It would rather fight than eat, and whenever it fights it eats, so that it takes an enthusiastic interest in the campaign. Its appetite would be disgraceful in a bug of less exemplary pursuits. There is a specimen in the Philadelphia North American office, says that paper, which has devoured more than ten times its weight in caterpillars in one day.

THE CATERPILLAR'S ENEMY.
(Unattractive Beetle That Is Delighting Eastern Gardeners.)

But the most remarkable thing about this ferocious insect is its method of attack. It does not use sharp claws, like some beetles, nor poison, like spiders. It has a little way of its own.

Fastened by a flexible joint to the lower part of the body is a lance and with this deadly weapon the bug does rapid execution. It attacks a caterpillar like a torpedo boat attacking an unprotected cruiser. It creeps on its prey quietly, then makes a sudden rush. Raising itself when near the victim, it lets the lance drop forward, then leaps upon the poor, fuzzy thing and drives the sharp point home.

There follows a violent struggle, of course. The caterpillar squirms and twists and rolls itself about, but the lance holds and there is no escape.

The bug does not let go until it has satisfied itself. Gradually the form of the caterpillar shrinks and when its little enemy withdraws the lance and backs away there is only the skin of the worm left.

The bug is about three-eighths of an inch long and oval in shape. It has six legs and two delicate feelers. The back is curiously marked, the front part being a light brown, the back part dull yellow. There are markings in black, in which may be traced a caricature of a Japanese face. Underneath the insect is colored light yellow and light green.

MEMORIAL TO HUMBERT.

Erected in the Pantheon at Rome by the Officers and Men of the Italian Artillery.

The monument which was recently unveiled in the pantheon in Rome to the memory of King Humbert is a masterpiece of sculpture, which has received the praise of the majority of the art critics of the old world. The creator of this monument is Prof. Diego Sarti, of Bologna, whose reputation was established over a decade ago, when he exhibited his Venus at the Bologna exposition in 1888. Since then many of the fountains in European capitals were fashioned by his hand.

TRIBUTE TO HUMBERT.
(Erected in the Pantheon at Rome by the Italian Artillery.)

The memorial in the pantheon is remarkably bold in outline. It is the expression of sorrow and gratitude of the Italian artillery among whom King Humbert was exceedingly popular.

Two life-sized lions represent respectively the murdered king and the artillry. The lion, representing the dying monarch, has a shield of honor on which are the names of Villafranca, Casamicciola, Busca, Napoli — the names rendered memorable in the life of King Humbert. The other lion has a shield with the names of Goita and Peshiera, the two places where the Italian artillery distinguished itself in so brilliant a manner during the century.

CROWD THE SCHOOLS

Filipinos, Old and Young, Are Very Eager to Learn.

Prof. Atkinson, Head of the Educational System for the Islands, Speaks Hopefully of the Future of His Work.

Considerable interest is manifested by the press in the report of Fred W. Atkinson, superintendent of public instruction in the Philippines, which has just reached Washington. It appears from this report that an effort is being made to displace Spanish with English in the schools, and, eventually, no doubt, throughout the islands. Says the Philadelphia Ledger:

"The most interesting part of the report . . . is the announcement that English has been adopted as the medium of instruction in the training of Filipino teachers, and that during the year English will displace Spanish in the schools. Spanish was the official language during the old regime, but even then it was used by a very small proportion of the inhabitants, who speak various Philippine dialects. There are many difficulties in the way of a sudden transition from Spanish to English, but under the gradual process of educating the youth the change will probably be made easily and naturally."

Another interesting part of the report tells about the selection of teachers. To quote again from the same paper:

"The Philippine school law authorized the appointment from the United States of 1,000 school teachers, and of these 781 have been selected. Of the 887 soldiers who applied for positions, 79 passed the examinations, and have exchanged the bayonet for the pen. The school-teachers chosen seem generally to be of an unusually high grade, both in character and ability. The 781 were sifted from among over 8,000 applicants, who filed strong testimonials from trustworthy sources, and care was taken to select those who had given evidence of equipment and teaching ability, rather than those who applied because they had nothing else to do. In many instances ambitious young men have entered upon the work, who were filling most acceptable positions as teachers at home.

FREDERICK W. ATKINSON.
(Superintendent of Public Instruction for the Philippines.)

"The educational system in the archipelago consists of 18 divisions, each with a division superintendent. One high school in each division will be established next year, and teachers' institutes will soon be held in all the provinces."

The Filipinos, old and young, are very eager to learn, and they crowd the schoolrooms until sometimes one teacher has 100 or even 200 scholars.

The question of religious instruction was soon settled. Says the report:

"Upon receipt of an official copy of act No. 74 of the Philippine commission, which forbids any religious instruction by the teacher, a comprehensive order was issued forbidding the practice of religious devotions or their employment as means of punishment, the discontinuance of all teaching of the cathechism or religious doctrine, and the removal from the schoolhouse of all books containing such matter, and the removal from schoolrooms of crucifixes, religious emblems, sacred pictures, placards, etc. These orders were complied with. There was no protest from either parents or teachers, and, as above stated, no diminution in the attendance, the school year closing with the largest attendance in the history of these public schools. To many of the teachers the change was apparently welcome.

The people are so eager to learn that Superintendent Atkinson thinks "it will not be necessary to resort to compulsory education;" and he adds the interesting remark that "Tagalo children, both male and female, are the most precocious I have even seen, very bright and studious and exceedingly well behaved."

Germans with Irish Brogue.

Of late years many German boys go to Ireland to learn the language and acquire at the same time the Irish middle-class opinion of England, which they cherish and propagate on their return to their native land. Perhaps, says the Outlook, that is one of the sources of German dislike for the Englishman. Another thing that the German boy acquires in Ireland is a rich and varied brogue, and one of the most amusing things one hears in Germany is the waiter who speaks German-Irish-English. A music hall comedian who could adequately imitate this combination, as I have frequently heard it, would certainly make his fortune. Next to this in ludierousness is the cookney English of many porters and waiters—learned, I have no doubt, within the sound of Bow Bells.

TOOK WIFE'S ADVICE.

How Mr. McNolan, of Detroit, Got Into Deep Water as the Result of Obedience.

Many have heard the story of the two Norwegian brothers. One of them was on the boat when she started out. She was 30 feet from the dock when the other came rushing down, just a few seconds too late. The one aboard leaned over the railing and shouted: "Yump, Olie, yump; you can make it in two yumps."

This authentic Detroit instance is alike, with a difference. One Michael McNolan, a sewer contractor in the pick department, was giving his folks an outing, and chose the Tashmo as the means of transportation. On the way to the boat Michael dropped in every little while to light his pipe. That was his explanation, at least, and the more he fired his duhdeen the less disposition it showed to burn, except between beer signs.

BROUGHT UP HIS PIPE.

The family were all comfortable on the upper deck and watching for the liege lord and paymaster when the machinery began to work and the boat to move. It was five feet away when the belated passenger appeared, his face red and his pipe working like a smoke stack. He stood on the edge of the deck steadying himself and swinging his arms to give impetus to a jump, when the good wife issued an order:

"Git back, Moike, git back, and make a good run for the jump. Yez can never make it standin'."

Mike obeyed. By the time he made his run the boat was 20 feet off, but he made a gallant effort, went out of sight in his best store clothes for a bathing suit and came up spitting out water and things profane for which a later explanation would be required. He scorned life preservers showered upon him, dove down and brought up his pipe, swam to the side of the boat, and when safely aboard demanded a reduction in fare.

CHICAGO HAS A WITCH.

Thomas Kelly Discovers a Woman with an Evil Eye and Is Arrested for Stoning Her.

The curse of Salem is on Chicago. According to Thomas Kelly, the same old witchcraft that used to cause the good Puritans of the colonial town to lie awake nights is exercised by a woman who is his near neighbor.

"Her vengeance is awful," Kelly said to a Chicago American reparter. "Her curse is the curse of Satan. Only recently she had a quarrel with Mrs. Cohen, another of my neighbors. Mrs. Cohen won and the witch put a curse upon her.

"First Cohen's horse died. That was a few days after the curse was pronounced. Cohen was almost helpless without the horse. Then Mrs. Cohen became ill. There was grief in the house. No work for the man and the wife sick. To cap all Cohen became paralyzed in one side."

THE WITCH WANTED FIFTY.

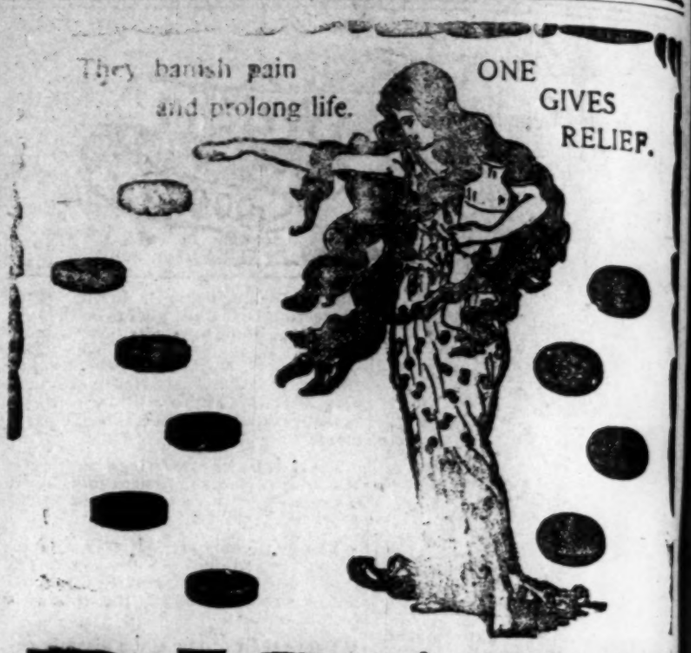
This Chicago witch has acquired the city's commercial spirit. The curse did not last forever. Mrs. Cohen finally became well. Then, according to Kelly, she offered the witch $10 to remove the curse. But the witch demanded $50.

Kelly's blood boiled. He determined to punish the witch for her witchcraft. He made himself a martyr for the ills of the Cohens. He could not throw the witch into a pond, bound to sink or swim. He could not burn her at the stake, according to the most approved custom. So he decided to stone her. This was a course almost as well sanctioned by precedent as burning.

The woman of uncanny powers was in the house when Kelly went to stone her, so he threw the stones through the windows. She had him arrested, and he was taken before Justice Sabath, where the story came out.

Tough Beefsteak Made Tender.

A tough beefsteak can be made tender and delicious by sending a current of electricity through it. So says William T. Bryan, a Cincinnati electrician.



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I shall in this column endeavor to answer all correspondence that may be sent and urgently request young ladies to read this column, and any questions that they wished answered please send them in before Saturday of each week.

By Miss May Clematis.

Young ladies who are in public service should be reserved and polite.

F. B. Don't think that you are "all of it" simply because one chances to compliment you.

Some friendship is like new clothes, made to wear out.

L. E. You allowed your friend to know too well how much you thought of him. Men like to seek rather than to be sought.

Mabel. Because a person does wrong, don't think that he will always do so. Many a man goes to degradation and shame, simply because he is so dreadfully abused at his first wrong doing. A little gentle talk and reasoning some times, goes further than abuse and is far more lasting.

C. C. Don't attempt to write a speech or run a column, except you can write a composition on common sense.

"Some folks have a way of declaring that the first year of married life is the most trying," writes Edward Book in the October Ladies Home Journal. "But where one gets a close knowledge of several families the conviction is brought home that the trying period lies beyond the first year. I should fix it rather at the third pear, when the pretty trousseau is showing wear and needs replendishing, when the wedding presenas have lost their lustre, and this thing has won out and that thing has to be replaced; when a little family is growing up aud doctor's bills are introduced into the family reckoning. That is the trying period when interests are apt to become very close. Likewise calculations. Then it is that the saving of the comparatively care-free and less expensive first year of married life comes in handy, or is sadly missed if the income was then lived up to in unnecessary buying and foolish entertaining. A great deal of happiness in this world is wrecked by debt, and generally the debt could have been avoided if a little more care and common sense had been exercised."

Amee. You should always be careful in your talk.

E. M. It is to be regretted that your sorrows multify. Hope on and keep in touch with true and reliable friends.

E. T. Don't allow yourself to be used by any one. Then again don't believe every thing people say to you. Have some judgement of your own.

E. F. The moment some people are convinced that they can't use you to their own advantage, they will seek some others for friends.

Don't permit a young man to smoke in your company.

M. M. Let dressing be an incident to your livlihood.

Ida. A prudent girl will save her earnings and keep in touch with those who are her best friends. It is a dangerous thing to change old friends for new ones.

In a letter written by Miss Alcott in 1862 to her "Laurie," which is one of many published for the first time in The Ladies' Home Journal for October she thus describes an interesting event of that year: "We had a grand Masque in March, when 400 people appeared in fine costumes and had a merry time. * * I was a 'Monk,' and no one knew me even after we unmasked for a black beard and cowl changed me into a jolly frair and made great fun. The boys called me 'sir,' pushed me round in the dressing room, and asked me to tie and pin them up, supposing I was a man, and the girls flirted in earnest till I took off my beard, when they shouted."

It is unwise to impose upon a good friend.

Nellie think kindly of your mother. Don't take sides with those who dislike her because it is wrong. She must be a deceiving girl to betray the confidence of a mother no matter what she may be.

T. M. The best girl in the world may be deceived, no matter how careful she may be. You should always be on the look out no matter how pretentious one may be towards you. False friendship comes in the form of the false pretense.

B. M. Be positive and resolute and then you will be respected.

L. T. It is not the so called friend that you must trust. A good friend never tires.

E. O. You can always tell how much you are respected, by the opposite sex. You can readily find out the moment one comes in your company.

Always watch the over polite man.

One who always has something to tell you, should be watched.

Don't be talkative but a good listner.

Don't dress like a pencock.

A becoming hat will look well always.

Keep your home cheerful.

Don't go in suspicious places and then you will not have your name defiled.

Don't allow famliarity from any one.

Girls are peculiar no matter how well they are treated.

Be honest it will pay the long run.

Young girls should keep away from fresh married women.

Some married women rather have the company of young girls. Don't trust them.

TOO YOUNG TO ELOPE.

Chicago Girl Invokes Magistrate's Aid in Dealing with Her Importunate Swain.

According to the Chicago American Amelia Gustella, a pretty, dark-haired Italian girl, gazed in anger upon Louis Frank and explained to Justice Dooley that the young man had sought to induce her to elope. Amelia, however, has no desire to leave her happy home, and so told Frank.

"I love you desperately," the young man is quoted as having said. "I here declare my love for you, and I want you to flee with me to-night."

Amelia could not give a decided answer. She would think it over. The

"I AM TOO YOUNG TO ELOPE."

suspense, it is said, proved so great for Frank that he walked up and down in front of the house no less than nine times in as many minutes.

Amelia spoke to her father. The parent became angry. He had once ordered the suitor for his daughter's hand from the house. Frank had boarded with the family, and it was there that he learned to think well of the dark-haired daughter of the host. Finally the proposition to elope came and then two sharp detectives took the unhappy man to a dark cell in the Maxwell street station.

Justice Dooley was told all about it. Frank said he loved the girl, and he believed she loved him.

"The whole trouble is that the father of the girl insists on interfering with us," said the defendant.

"Yes," said his honor. "There are a whole lot of fathers interfering, and I guess many of them are justified. It appears that this girl is but 16 years old. She says she does not care for you and has no desire to become your wife. You will, therefore, let her alone."

"Yes, I wish he would let me alone," said the girl. "I am too young to elope, and I want nothing to do with him."

The justice continued the case.

ILLINOIS SNAKE STORY.

Country Printing Office Invaded by a Reptile Which Is Fond of Catching Mice.

Here is a snake story from the Lacon (Ill.) Journal: "Every well regulated printing office has a watering can in which water is kept to wet the type. For want of a better place, the one in the Home Journal office is usually kept on a window sill on the north side of the room. One day during the recent drought two of our printers were sitting on their stools at this window sticking type, when they were nearly petrified by the sight of a snake

TOOK A GOOD DRINK.

protruding its head above the sill from the outside. The boys almost broke their necks in getting away. Reaching over into the pan the snake took a good drink, and before the startled printers could secure a club with which to dispatch the reptile it had disappeared. The next day at the same hour the snake came for another drink, and that was repeated the third and fourth days, but the last time it was attacked from the rear by a big black Thomas cat that makes its home at Lester's livery barn, next door. It was a lively fight for a few seconds, but the cat was too much for the snake, although it was fully four feet long, and the reptile made a shoot for the rear of the office. The cat was after it like a streak of lightning, but the snake found a hole in the brick wall and disappeared under the building. That was two weeks ago. Before that time the printing office was overrun with mice, but since then there hasn't been a mouse about the place. Any of our readers who are troubled with mice are cordially invited to come and borrow our snake for a few days."

NEW PORTO RICAN SEAL.

Modeled After Old Spanish Coat-of-Arms, But Supplied with a New Motto.

Porto Rico has resolved to mark its adoption as a colony of the United States by the adoption of a seal. To that end a committee was appointed, including the governor and secretary of the island, who in turn appealed for advice and aid to Mr. Gaillard Hunt, the chief authority on the great seal of the United States, and author of the historical monograph on the subject. The old seal of Porto Rico, granted by Spain about the middle of the sixteenth century, presented three leading features: A rock in the ocean, the

THE PORTO RICAN SEAL.
(Modeled After the Old-Time Spanish Coat of Arms.)

lamb of St. John and designs of the Spanish flag and castle. The committee wished to retain as much as possible of this historic relic, but was compelled at last to let most of it go. The shape of the shield, however, was retained, and also the rock, after being so remodeled as to copy, with some exaggeration, the contour of the island as it appears to the voyager before entering the harbor of San Juan. Behind the rock is shown the rising sun.

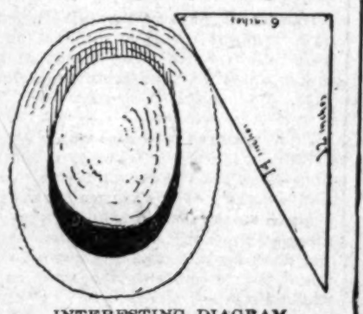
The choice of a crest, says World's Work, presented the next difficulty. No heraldic animal was suggested as having a peculiar local significance, except the game cock, whose present popularity the government is doing its best to suppress. The native flora was thoroughly sifted with a view to finding a suitable tree. The mango was rejected because it too strongly resembles an oak, and the palm because its trunk is too snake-like. The bust of Columbus was next considered, and, though acceptable from a heraldic point of view, it was disappointing in artistic effect. One of his caravels, however, conveyed so happy a suggestion of his work and made so striking a figure above the shield that it was adopted without more ado.

When it came to the motto the committee decided that Spanish was out of the question, since the new official language of the island was English, and English, because it was such an unknown tongue to most of the people, so, following the prevalent practice in armorial achievements, Latin was chosen. Mr. Hunt entered into correspondence with several of the most eminent Latinists and general scholars in the country. Of the mottoes submitted by them the most poetical had for its central thought the idea of a star shining brightly in the heart of the sea; but this was open to the objection that the star is with us the recognized symbol of statehood, a condition to which Porto Rico has not attained. The successful suggestion presently came from a Washington woman, and, almost simultaneously, from Dr. David J. Hill, assistant secretary of state. It is from Ovid: "Prospera lux oritur," literally, "A happy day is dawning." It is especially appropriate to the device of the sun rising over a flushed sea.

AMUSES GOTHAMITES.

The Uhl Estate, Said to Be the Smallest Real Estate Holding in the United States.

What is said to be by all odds the smallest real estate holding on record is a tiny triangular piece of ground at



INTERESTING DIAGRAM.
(Showing Comparative Size of Straw Hat and Uhl Estate.)

the corner of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street and Third avenue in New York city. It measures exactly 8 inches by 12 inches. So small is the property that an ordinary straw hat will cover twice as much space, and yet an offer of $600 has been made for it, while the executors of the so-called Uhl estate, of which this is the principal asset, are holding it at a figure of $1,000. The tiny lot was created by the widening of One Hundred and Forty-ninth street, which cut off practically all the Uhl lot, leaving only this minute triangle. Much of its present value is purely fictitious, being based on the desire of an advertising firm to get possesion of the spot for the erection of an advertising pyramid. At present the so-called Uhl estate is one of the chief centers of interest in the borough of Bronx. Everybody knows the exact location, and many strangers come across the Harlem river to get a glimpse of it.

HUMBLE SANCTUARY.

Where President Roosevelt Will Worship While in Washington.

Grace Reformed Chapel, with a Seating Capacity of 125, Will Be the Presidential Church for Some Years to Come.

The little chapel on the rear of a lot at the corner of Fifteenth and O streets, N. W., has been selected by President Roosevelt as his church in Washington. Rev. John M. Schinck, D. D., will be his pastor. The president is a member of the Dutch Reformed church. The congregation which worships in the little chapel is of the German Reformed denomination, but there is no difference in the tenets of faith of the two organizations, and there is no Dutch Reformed church in the city.

President Roosevelt attended service at Grace Reformed chapel, as the church is known, on the only Sunday he has spent in Washington since his inauguration. When President Roosevelt lived here as civil-service commissioner and as assistant secretary of the navy he did not know there was a church of the denomination of his belief in the city. How he came to learn there was one is best told in the language of Dr. Schinck, who, in discussing the subject, said:

"After the election, as I was reading the papers about the congratulations extended to both the president and vice president, I was struck by the fact that they were all from politicians and business men. None were reported from the clergy. I at once sat down and wrote each a letter of congratulation. To Mr. Roosevelt I communicated the fact of the existence of our little church, and welcomed him to worship with us. His reply was most hearty and cordial. He said he had believed there was no church of his faith in Washington and that he should accept the the invitation to attend.

"On Sunday after the inauguration the vice president and his family came to the service in the chapel. I have called on him since and he has indicated that he will make the church his spiritual home in Washington."

The services in Grace Reformed chapel are conducted in English. The

REV. JOHN M. SCHINCK.
(Pastor of Grace Reformed Chapel, Washington, D. C.)

edifice wil seat but 150 persons, and the regular congregation taxes it to its full capacity. Since Dr. Schinck became pastor of the church, in February of last year, he has been actively at work in an effort for the construction of a new building. The congregation owns the lot and the parsonage property adjoining. It is the desire of Dr. Schinck to erect a one-story structure covering the entire ground space 50x100 feet, which will provide a seating capacity for 500 persons.

The estimated cost for the new building is $30,000, and so far Dr. Schinck has pledges for a little over one-third of that amount. It was the plan to have the corner stone laid next May, when the Classis of Maryland—the ecclesiastical government of the denomination—will hold its annual meeting in Baltimore. Since the death of President McKinley Dr. Schinck is receiving many letters from clergymen and others urging him to press the matter of a new building, so that the church may accommodate those who will want to attend.

Dr. Schinck's eyes moistened as he discussed this point. "I have answered," he said, "that I can't take advantage of the death of President McKinley to build up my church. The matter will have to take its regular course. As soon as the way is opened we will build."

Dr. Schinck, the pastor, is a scholarly man, 53 years old. He is a native of Richmond, but his college and theological education were obtained in Pennsylvania.

An Unexpected Honor.

The story is told of three Protestant ladies who walked into a Catholic church in Ireland during high mass. It was raining, and they had gone in for shelter. The priest, one of nature's gentlemen, recognized the ladies, and, stooping down, said to an attendant: "Three chairs for the Protestant ladies." It was a kindly thought, but the priest must have wished he had never thought it when the man stood up in the church and shouted: "Three cheers for the Protestant ladies!" It was over in a minute—the cheers were cheered and could not be called back; but it was one of the most uncomfortable moments in the good priest's life.

Automatic Weaving Loom.

The new automatic weaving loom, invented by a mechanic in Burnley, England, is more of a revolutionizer than was at first reported. One person now operating four looms can easily attend to eight and at the same time produce 12½ per cent. more per loom by the obviation of stoppages than un-

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JOTTINGS OF THE POETS.

The Rules That Failed.

He longed to live a hundred years,
And turned from dissipation;
He managed daily to indulge
In proper recreation;
He never drank nor smoked nor chewed,
He husbanded his powers
And never varied from his rule
Of keeping proper hours.

He made a study of the forms
And mysteries of diet;
He shunned the busy marts of trade,
To live in peace and quiet;
He wore hygienic hats and shoes,
Hygienic shirts and collars—
He'd ne'er have slept without fresh air,
For twenty thousand dollars.

He might have lived a hundred years,
As he so much desired,
If he had not lain down one day
And suddenly expired.
They rubbed his hands, they called his name,
Alas! he would not rally—
He and a sturdy William goat
Had frolicked in an alley.
—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

Nature's Voices.

No false note ever strikes in Nature's music,
Pure melody in every tone, the strain
Of harmony is in its depths, the sweetness
Of brook, of wind, and patter of the rain.

A drowsy sense of comfort in the lapping
Of waves upon the beach. A grand, deep strain
Of organ in the long, majestic clapping
Of thunder, rumbling in the lightning's train.

The hum of bees, the insects in the meadow
Beating their wings in tones as sharp and shrill
As tree toads utter in the falling shadow,
The happy songs of birds; all charm and thrill.

A thousand voices touch our hearts and senses,
From faintest echo in a cave, to roar
Of ocean rushing in bewildering fury
To gather in his arms the waiting shore.
—Claire K. Alden, in Farm Journal.

Peace.

The heart where peace abides is like the ocean
Whose depths the surface storms can never move,
But still abides in deep, unruffled quiet,
For all the foam-flecked waves that roll above.

The heart where peace abides is like the heaven.
The limped dome where clouds in sullen might
May come and go; but through each rift appearing
The blue shines forth the same serene and bright.

Oh, send our hearts this blessed peace, great Father!
That thus endowed and cheered through Thy dear love,
This life becomes to us, Thy faulty children,
A foretaste of the better life above—
—Miss E. H. Warner, in N. Y. Observer.

Harvest Song.

Summer all is pleasure past,
Summer charm is a tale that's told;
Days of reaping have come, at last,
Days of ripeness and days of gold;
Down the meadow-way, glad and strong,
Love comes singing his harvest song.

Deep in brown the fallows lie,
Brown and burgwe of chalk to be,
Master strong in the garden toil,
Lord of pasture, and plant and tree
Treasure-burdened, he plods along,
Singing brightly his harvest song.

And in answer the autumn breeze
Sings a pleasant and fair refrain,
Through the boughs of the orchard trees,
O'er the fields of the waving grain.
Hark, the echoes about him throng—
Nature's singing her harvest song.
—Frank Walcott Hutt, in Farm Journal.

Causes of Comfort.

Petted Wife — This old-fashioned chair is delightfully antique, but very uncomfortable. I don't see how your mother could like it.

Husband (mildly)—I presume she was usually tired when she sat down.
—N. Y. Weekly.

Cynical.

"I wonder if there really is any honor among thieves?"

"Certainly not. Thieves are just as bad as other people."—Philadelphia Press.

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On motion of attorney W. C. Martin, Justice Barnard, presiding in the Orphan's court passed a decree Monday last appointing Dr. Philip Broome Brooks executor of the estate of Gracie A. Madison deceased. Under the will Dr. Brooks is authorized to sel certain valuable real estate in this city owned by decedent at the time of her death, and divide the net proceeds among sevaral devises.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

The German army includes more than 10,000 musicians.

Bees suck over 3,000,000 flowers to gather one pound of honey.

Twenty-eight different kinds of food are needed to feed the animals in the Berlin zoo.

The average distance traveled by British locomotive engine drivers is from 30,000 to 50,000 miles every year. There are about 20,000 drivers in the United Kingdom.

Emperor William has ordered all German officers on leave in France, in places where there is no garrison, to report their arrival to the local civil authorities within the first 24 hours.

With a view of preventing dust from accumulating on the line and blowing into the carriages, the whole of the London & Northwestern main line from London to Carlisle is now ballasted with clean granite chippings in place of cinders.

The pig, as is well known, will destroy and eat rattlesnakes with impunity. It is said that the poison is not sufficiently introduced into the circulation to cause death, owing to the thick, adipose layer with which the domesticated pig is covered.

At the Brooklyn navy yard work has begun on two novel targets which are shortly to be used in testing the new Gathman gun. Each target will represent a broadside section of the battleship Iowa, and will have the same resisting power as the armor of that vessel. They are to cost $40,000.

MEN AND AFFAIRS AT HOME.

Rev. Theodore Cuyler, of the Lafayette Presbyterian church, Brooklyn, has refused his consent to the erection of a monument of himself in Cuyler park, Brooklyn.

United States Senator John P. Jones, of Nevada, has over $75,000 invested in orange growing near Los Angeles, Cal., and has become quite an expert judge of the fruit.

Mrs. Jean Fuqua Beckham, wife of the governor of Kentucky, is only 22 years old. She met the present governor while he was speaker of the Kentucky house of representatives.

President McKinley is planning to make a trip to the northwest early next summer, visiting Washington, regon and the northern belt of states, taking in the Yellowstone park, which he has never seen.

Chairman Burton and 11 members of the river and harbor committee, after their return from Alaska, expect to visit the "inland empire." They will inspect the Columbia and Snake rivers from Portland, Ore., to Lewiston, Idaho.

FROM A DOCTOR'S NOTEBOOK.

Physicians assert that baked potatoes are more nutritious than those cooked in any other way, and that fried ones are the most difficult to digest.

Prof. Finsen, of Copenhagen, the discoverer of the "light cure" for lupus, is himself an invalid, suffering from heart disease, but he nevertheless is a tireless worker.

In 1890 there were only 1,835 houses in Paris draining direct into the sewers. The mortality that year was 24.1 per 1,000 of the population. In 1896 the number of houses draining into sewers was 9,460 and the mortality was reduced to 19 per 1,000.

German surgeons have discovered that the delicate membrane which covers the contents of an egg will answer as well as bits of skin from a human being to start the healing of open wounds which would not otherwise heal. The discovery has already been successfully tested.

Can Animals Cry?

Lady Burton says she has seen horses in the Syrian desert cry from thirst, a mule cry from the pain of an injured foot, and camels shed tears in streams. A cow, sold by its mistress who had tended it from birth, wept bitterly. A young soko ape used to cry from vexation if Livingstone didn't nurse it in his arms when it asked him to. Wounded apes have died crying, and apes have wept over their young ones slain by hunters. A chimpanzee trained to carry water jugs broke one, and fell a-crying, which proved sorrow, though it wouldn't mend the jug. Rats, discovering a young one drowned, have been moved to tears of grief. A giraffe which a huntsman's rifle had injured began to cry. Sea lions weep for the loss of their young. Gordon Cumming observed tears trickling from the eyes of a dying elephant. And even an orang-outang, when deprived of its mango, was so vexed that it took to crying. There can be little doubt, therefore that animals do weep from grief, or pain, or annoyance.—Cassell's Little Folks.

POLLY SCARED BURGLAR.

Made Such a Racket That the Daylight Housebreaker Fled Without His Spoils.

Words in various languages screamed loudly and hysterically caused several neighbors of Louis Rehwald, a shoemaker of 234 South Grand avenue, Los Angeles, to hasten to his residence at noon several days ago to stop a tragedy or to be in at the finish. The polyglot talking match kept up incessantly, but proceeded seemingly from the same throat, and the debate, or whatever it was, sounded as if coming from the kitchen. A march to the rear of the house revealed a great green poll parrot in a cage on the kitchen table.

DRIVEN OFF BY POLLY.

The bird was very excited. It jumped up and down, screaming and talking all the while, but none of the Rehwalds were in sight. The neighbors then began an investigation from the outside, which revealed the fact that a burglar had forced the front window with a chisel and thus succeeded in gaining access to the house. He had gathered up a lot of valuables, including several new pairs of shoes, and had stacked his plunder up ready for removal, in a front room, when the idea came into his head to explore the kitchen, probably for eatables.

This action turned out very unfortunately for the daylight thief, as the parrot no sooner espied the intruder than he set up an unearthly racket, which so scared the burglar that he fled precipitately without taking the trouble to gather up his loot. When quiet had been restored the polly became unusually austere and positively refused to give the detective a description of the thief. The bird is a big Mexican parrot, possessed of a copious vocabulary as well as a current knowledge of several living languages. The detective addressed the parrot in Irish and Spanish, but his talk had no effect, the bird positively refusing to hold converse with the man from police headquarters. greatly to the surprise of the congregated neighbors, who have an idea that this particular polly is almost superhuman.

POPULAR IN CHICAGO.

Porch Parties of Two Which Invariably Lead to Love-Making and Eventually to the Altar.

"Oh, Jack!"

That is all the neighbors hear of the porch party—Chicago's newest, dearest summer fad. What they see of it is what the moon chooses to reveal, plus the line of carriages and the strip of carpet to the curb.

From Gross Point to the Indiana line the front porches of the city, says the Chicago American, are proving so many approaches to the altar of Love. Cushions, a rug or two, the tardy moonlight streaming down over the houses opposite—these are the setting and the properties of the comedy. Maidens whose lot is cast in a flat or

"OH, JACK!"

apartment house whirl away to the summer gardens for an ice and a breath of air. But the girl who owns a set of steps in fee simple or by lease murmurs "no" to the invitation of her caller, drops down on the steps beside him when he has finished squeezing the lemons and hums the honeysuckle song while he is hunting for the right quotation. After that it depends on the size of his salary whether they wait a month or a year.

Crafty bachelors who know of the porch party seek the chairs on the landing, for the man who takes to the steps is lost. Bores and ineligibles swallow their root beer in the mausoleum of the back parlor. An invitation to sit on the steps is equivalent to a rating in the family Bradstreet, and the young man who draws the golf cushion ranks with the double A's. Confirmed cynics rail at the groups in the shadows, chanting "Spoon, spoon, spoon," to a certain popular air as they drift down the street. But both Romeo of Halsted street and Romeo of Drexel boulevard catch the same disease, and Minnie O'Connor and Miss Vivian are one in the knowledge that the porch party wins a solitaire every time.

FOR AN IDLE MOMENT.

Self-Congratulation.

Dey kin reggle-ate de prices. Dey kin push 'em up an' down.
Dey kin keep de wheels a-goin' till dey buzzes roun' an' roun'.
Wif de telegraph a'clickin' an' de men a-hustlin' fast—
Dey kin keep de game a-goin' jes' as long as dey kin last.

Yow Uncle doesn't worry any mo',
'Case he hasn't any use foh wealth an' rank.
It is comfortin' foh sho'
To sit quietly an' know
Dat he hasn't any money in de bank.

I stahts out in de mo'nin', when de sun begins to gleam;
An' maybe I'll go fishin', an' perhaps I'll only dream.
An' I doesn' read de paper, 'case I doesn' want de news
A-tellin' 'bout de white folks an' de money dat dey lose.

Dey nebber takes yoh Uncle by surprise,
An' my lucky stahs mos' gratefully I thank—
De fact I can't disguise,
Dat I's feelin' mighty wise,
'Case I hasn't any money in de bank.
—Washington Star.

Heroism.

I am proud to-day—
Proud of myself—I've won
My own esteem—I've done
No more than the poorest toiler may;
I've gained no lofty place
That others tried to take;
I've won no thrilling race,
I've caused no foe to quake,
But where the crowd surged past
A man whom failure had dragged low
Stood lonely and downcast—
A little week ago
His fawning friends laughed at his poorest jest
And praised him when they knew that he could hear—
But yesterday they pressed
Back through the throng to keep from passing near!—
I grasped his hand—
Not pityingly—nay! I met him as a man
Who had the right to stand
And face the world as boldly as they can
Whom Chance still holds above the crowd—
And I am proud.
—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Record-Herald.

Here We Are!

Here we are, and here we go:
Beings of a time and day.
See that river in its flow?
Just so fast we glide away!
What's your money? Great you'll be,
But at last you'll sleep with me!

Lo! I passed your place and went
On my way, starved—lonesomely!
Still I was full well content—
Your companion I will be!
In that day when God shall say:
"Shriveled be the sales away!"

Think you that your wealth can make
Any heaven or dark, or blue?
God shall from the spurned dust take
All the worth and wealth of you!
Fool! * * * God piles his dust above you—
I've God's daisies? * * * Do they love you?
—F. L. Stanton, in Atlanta Constitution.

The Magic Sword.

There is a sword of greater price
Than swords of princes are,
A weapon that is mightier
Than famed Excalibar.

Waters divide and mountains part
At touch of this rare sword,
And untrod forests fall and die
As fell the prophet's gourd.

All life its magic force must own,
Naught can its power evade;
E'en death is sometimes thrust aside
By its keen, shining blade.

He who this wondrous weapon owns
Of earth may have his fill,
For nothing mortal can withstand
The magic sword "I will!"
—Emma C. Dowd, in Youth's Companion.

Midnight.

From darkling steep, and misty vale,
What wonder dawns upon the sight?
The summer moon, a ball of fire
That burns across the sultry night.

While flash and flicker from afar
Fantastic fireflies in their play,
On shining mead, and dew-wet marsh,
The torchlight dancers swing and sway.

A red star hangs o'er woodlands dusk,
Wandering breezes fade away,
The trailing sweetness of the hour
Spirit-like haunts the garden way.

Only the moon, and midnight deep,
Touching the soul with hand of power;
Dreams that arise, an incense rare,
Mem'ries rich as the magic hour.
—Boston Budget.

Deficient Education.

I'm really sorry for the man
Who's bred to idleness.
He passes through life's little span
A picture of distress.
Alas! he may not even know
What joy it is to shirk.
He is indeed a man of woe
Who hasn't learned to work.

But sadder is the busy one
Who hurries through this life
And never stops to think of fun
Amid the bustling strife.
He is the mournfulest of men—
You see him every day—
Who feels like loafing now and then,
But doesn't know the way.
—Washington Star.

A Butter-Pat.

I watch her at her dairy work,
With apron white before her,
And, were I infidel or Turk,
I could not but adore her.

Her elbows shows its dimpledness,
She makes me think a sonnet,
While o'er each pat she stoops to press
And print a rose upon it.

She molds my heart, and pounds it flat,
Though I've not dared to hint it,
Until it's just a butter-pat
On which her face is printed!
—M. S. Bridges, in Puck.

Red, White and Blue.

Brides must on their wedding day
Have for luck, the old folks say,
Something old and something new,
Something borrowed, something blue.

So, when fair Marguerite was led
Down the rose-strewn aisles to wed
She had followed to the end
The rule that luck should her attend.

Borrowed blushes on her face,
That the hue of love should grace,
Bridal trousseau very new,
The groom was old and she was blue.
—Baltimore World.

Up-to-Date Game.

Ted—Was the game close?

Ned—Close? I should say so. The crowd was just pouncing on the umpire when the police reserves arrived.—Judge.

At the Race-Track.

They find at the race track that pedigree does not always make the mare go.—Puck.

LEGAL NOTICE.

THOMAS L. JONES, ATTORNEY

In the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia the 25th day of September, 1901.

Benjamin F. Petway vs. Mary Petway } No. 22,342 Equity Doc. 50.

On motion of the complainant, by Thomas L. Jones his solicitor, it is ordered that the defendant Mary Petway, cause her appearance to be entered herein on or before the first rule day occurring forty days after this day; otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default. The object of this suit is to secure a decree of divorce from the defendant on the ground of desertion. This order is to be published in the Washington Law Reporter and the Washington Bee, once a week for three successive weeks, prior to said rule day.

By the Court, E. F. Bingham Chief Justice, etc.
True Copy test. J. R. Young, Clerk, etc.
By M. A. Clancy, Assistant, Clerk.

Swans Vs. Cattle.

In a pond near Hampstead Heath, in England, a crowd of spectators watched a pair of swans defeat a dozen cattle that had come down to wade into the refreshing coolness. The swans objected and as if by preconcerted signal moved upon the cattle. Men have had occasion to attest to the power that is in a swan's wings. They strike blows that not only have force but a great deal of accuracy in delivery. The birds charged directly at the heads of the bullocks, slapping right and left. The attack was furious. Some attempt was made by the cattle to resist, but inside of three minutes they were in flight, half blinded by the birds' wings. They made no effort to return, either, until the cowherd near by came and drove the birds out.—Chicago Tribune.

Where Defects Prove Genuineness.

The best test for rubies and emeralds, says Dr. Immanuel Friedlaender of Berlin, is microscopic examination. Nearly every ruby and all emeralds have many defects which are so characteristic that the expert can recognize them, and which cannot be produced in artificial stones. True emeralds have minute inclosures of liquids and curious dendrites. Sapphires also show peculiar netlike formations. A magnifying power of 100 diameters suffices to reveal the characteristic defects. For diamonds a good test is that of hardness. A genuine diamond cannot be scratched by a file or by quartz, and a ruby should stand a similar test; but emerald is not much harder than quartz, and cracks easily.—Youth's Companion.

Frogs Do Not Swallow Water.

At a recent meeting of naturalists at Chicago Mr. H. H. Donaldson described experiments with frogs, tending to show that those animals rapidly absorb water through the pores of the skin. He emphasized the fact that frogs never take water by the mouth. On being exposed for several hours to dry air, the frogs experimented with lost 14 per cent. of their weight, but this was nearly all regained within 24 hours when they were placed in a dish containing water only one centimeter in depth.—Youth's Companion.

Billed Attractions.

Stranger (at restaurant, reading from bill of fare)—Give me some chicken croquettes.

Waiter—Very sorry, sir, but there ain't none.

"Then give me oyster patties."

"Extremely sorry, sir, but we have only roast beef, corned beef and stewed beef to-day."

"But where are all these things that I see on the bill of fare?"

"They're on the bill of fare, sir."—Harlem Life.

Blisters by Suggestion.

Hypnotic suggestion enables us to control processes which are ordinarily beyond the reach of the will. For instance, blisters have been produced in highly sensitive subjects by simply touching the part with the finger or some inert substance and suggesting the presence of a strong irritant.—Journal of Physical Therapeutics.

Proof.

Manager—You claim, sir, to have every qualification of a first-rate actor. Can you give me any proof of it?

Hamlet de Shakespeare—Well, perhaps I might mention the fact that I am slightly deaf—the result of so much applause, you know.—Harlem Life.

A Spirited Illumination.

Staggers (coming in at two o'clock a. m.)—Look out o' thish window, m'dear, and see the glorious aurora borealish.

Mrs. Staggers (waking out of a sound sleep)—Window? That's a mirror you are looking into, and the aurora you see is your own highly decorated rum-soaked mug.—Harlem Life.

Cruel Neighbor.

"George, that Mrs. Nextfence is too horrid for anything."

"What are the odds now?"

"Why, she said if our chickens ate her flower seed she hoped they'd have appendicitis."—Chicago Daily News.

Insanity in French Army.

A French specialist in mental diseases has discovered that 166 out of every 100,000 soldiers and sailors become hopeless lunatics. Among mechanics the average is but 66 per 100,000.

Going and Coming.

Women rush frantically to a wedding, but when they return home they say: "O, well; it was just like all the others."—Atchison Globe.

Kept Alive by Funerals.

The Boer war has seriously affected the business of a certain little town in England, and lately there has been considerable sickness among the inhabitants. An undertaker, commenting on this, gravely said: "Trade has gone to the dogs, and if it wasn't for the funerals there wouldn't be any life in the place."

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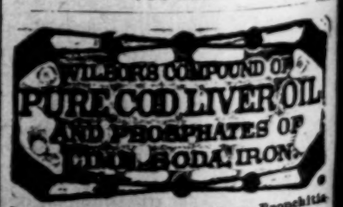

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